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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

HONGKONG VOLUNTEER CORPS

CORPS ORDERS FOR WEEK ENDING 15TH FEBRUARY, 1896.

GENERAL.

No. 342.—Members in possession of the undermentioned Carbines are directed to return them at once to Headquarters for overhauling by the Corps Armourer:—

Nos. 18, 23, 62, 99, and 145.

FIELD BATTERY.

No. 343.—64-pr. DRILL—There will be 64-pr. Drill by Detachments as under—

No. 1 Detachment—Monday, 9 P.M.
No. 2 Detachment—Monday, 5.30 P.M.
No. 3 Detachment—Tuesday, 5.30 P.M.
No. 4 Detachment—Tuesday, 9 P.M.
No. 5 Detachment—Wednesday, 5.30 P.M.
No. 6 Detachment—Wednesday, 9 P.M.

Each Detachment will be drilled by the Instructor, and the Officers and N. C. Officers should attend when their respective Detachments are drilling.

No. 344.—64-pr. GUN COMPETITION—Stonecutters' Island, THURSDAY, 13th instant.—Battery will Parade at Headquarters at 9.15 A.M. sharp.

Uniform.—Serge, helmets, and great coats.

Kowloon Dock Detachment will leave Dock at 8.45 A.M. sharp and be at Headquarters to march away with remainder of Battery at 9.15 A.M. (Transport will be provided. Tiffin will be provided.)

No. 345.—JOINED.—Gunner H. A. LAMMERT, 4.2.96 and assigned Corps No. 159 and posted to No. 3 Detachment.

No. 346.—SIGNALLING.—Headquarters, MONDAY and WEDNESDAY, at 5 p.m.

NOTICE.

Applications from Gentlemen desirous of joining the Corps should be sent to VOLUNTEER HEADQUARTERS, when a copy of the Regulations, &c., will be sent, and any information afforded.

By Order,

L. A. C. GORDON,
Captain R.A.,
Adjutant, H.K.V.C.

Hongkong, 8th February, 1896. [353

CUSTOMS NOTIFICATION.
No. 68.

THE OPIUM EXAMINATION OFFICE and STATIONS of the KOWLOON CUSTOM HOUSE will be CLOSED from the 12th to the 15th of February inclusive, in observance of the CHINESE NEW YEAR'S FESTIVAL.

H. M. HILLIER,
Acting Commissioner of Customs for Kowloon and District.

Custom House,
Kowloon, 7th February, 1896. [411

CHINESE NEW YEAR HOLIDAY.

THE Undermentioned BANKS will be CLOSED for the Transaction of Public Business on THURSDAY, the 13th inst.

FOR THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA, AND CHINA.
T. H. WHITEHEAD,
Manager, Hongkong.

FOR THE HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,
T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.

FOR THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED,
GEO. W. F. PLAYFAIR,
Chief Manager.

FOR THE MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.
J. W. R. TAYLOR,
Manager, Hongkong.

FOR THE BANQUE DE L'INDO-CHINE,
L. SIMON,
Manager.

FOR THE BANK OF CHINA AND JAPAN, LIMITED, HONGKONG.
CHANTREY INCHBALD,
Manager.

Hongkong, 8th February, 1896. [413

HONGKONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

MEMBERS are reminded that the GENERAL MEETING takes place on MONDAY, the 10th February, at 5.30 P.M., at the HONGKONG HOTEL.

A. S. PALMER, Captain,
Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, 8th February, 1896. [58

ZETLAND LODGE,
No. 525 E.C.

A MEETING of EMERGENCY of ZETLAND LODGE will be held at the FREEMASONS' HALL on FRIDAY, the 14th instant, at 5 for 5.30 P.M. precisely. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited to attend.

Hongkong, 8th February, 1896. [412

WANTED.

MESSRS. GEO. FENWICK & CO., LIMITED, require the SERVICES of an ENGINEER (Unmarried) for their Works from the 1st APRIL. Salary $240 per Mensem.

Applications enclosing Testimonials to be sent in writing to the GENERAL MANAGER of the Company.

Hongkong, 8th February, 1896. [414

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SHANGHAI.

THE Steamship

"KASHING,"

Captain Hopkins, will be despatched TO-DAY, the 8th inst., at 3 P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
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Agents.

Hongkong, 7th February, 1896. [408

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SHANGHAI.

THE Steamship

"PAOTING,"

Captain Gyles, will be despatched on MONDAY, the 10th inst., at 3 P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
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Agents.

Hongkong, 7th February, 1896. [409

FOR SHANGHAI.

THE Steamship

"PEIYANG,"

Captain Th. Lehmann, will be despatched for the above port on TUESDAY, the 11th inst., at 4 P.M.

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Hongkong, 7th February, 1896. [410

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Hongkong, 24th January, 1896. [37

INTIMATIONS.

NOW READY

THE CHRONICLE AND DIRECTORY FOR CHINA, JAPAN, STRAITS, &c., &c., FOR 1896,

With which is incorporated THE CHINA DIRECTORY.

This is the THIRTY-FOURTH ANNUAL ISSUE, and will be found, as usual, to show an advance on preceding years both in fulness and accuracy of information.

Hongkong, 6th February, 1896.

THE WANCHAI WAREHOUSE AND STORAGE CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the OFFICE of the General Managers, No. 5, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, on MONDAY, the 10th FEBRUARY, 1896, at 3 o'clock in the Afternoon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a Statement of Accounts to the 31st December, 1895.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the COMPANY will be CLOSED from the 1st to the 10th February (both days inclusive).

MEYER & CO.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 1st February, 1896. [348

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE is hereby given that the ORDINARY HALF-YEARLY MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS in this CORPORATION will be held at the CITY HALL, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the fifteenth day of FEBRUARY, at NOON, for the Purpose of Receiving the Report of the Court of Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1895.

By Order of the Court of Directors,
T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 28th January, 1896. [308

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE is hereby given that the REGISTERS of SHARES of the CORPORATION will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, the first, to the fifteenth day of FEBRUARY (both days inclusive), during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Court of Directors,
T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 28th January, 1896. [309

THE HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE NINTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the above COMPANY will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICE, No 4, PRAYA CENTRAL, at 12 o'clock (Noon), on MONDAY, the 17th FEBRUARY for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1895.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 8th to the 17th February, both days inclusive.

EDWARD OSBORNE,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 4th February, 1896. [377

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE TWENTY-SEVENTH ORDINARY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICE, No. 3, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, Victoria, on WEDNESDAY, the 19th FEBRUARY, at Twelve o'clock Noon, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the year ending 31st December, 1895.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the COMPANY will be CLOSED from the 5th to the 19th idem, both days inclusive.

By Order,
GEO. L. TOMLIN,
Acting Secretary.

Hongkong, 27th January, 1896. [295

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the OFFICES of the COMPANY, No. 14, PRAYA CENTRAL, on MONDAY, the 24th FEBRUARY, 1896, at NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts to the 31st December, 1895.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 10th to the 24th February, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
R. COOKE,
Acting General Manager.

Hongkong 4th February, 1896. [378

WALTER W. BREWER.

Whitaker's Almanacks.
British Photographic Annual.
Donaldson's Engineers' Annual.
Hazell's Annual.
Engineering Drawing and Designing, by Roberts.
From Far Formosa.
The Chitral Campaign, by Thompson.
Badminton Library—Dancing.
Balfour's Foundations of Belief.
Oliver's Shipping Law Manual.
Phillips's Planespheres.
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With Boat and Gun in the Yangtze Valley, Edited by T. H. Wade.
Ironclads in Action—A Sketch of Naval Warfare from 1855 to 1895, by H. W. Wilson, 2 vols.
Chess Novelties, by H. E. Bird.
Casa Braccio, by F. Marion Crawford.
Lawn Tennis, by W. Baddeley.
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HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE TWENTY-SEVENTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the above COMPANY will be held at the OFFICES of the COMPANY, PEDDER'S STREET, on THURSDAY, the 27th proximo, at NOON, to receive a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1895, and the Report of the General Managers, and to Elect a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the COMPANY will be CLOSED from the 14th to the 27th proximo, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.,
General Managers,
Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Limited.

Hongkong, 28th January, 1896. [310

CITY CLUB.

THE SIXTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the MEMBERS will be held in the CLUB HOUSE on TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 11th, at 9 P.M.

E. K. CHANDLER,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 3rd February, 1896. [364

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Hongkong, 7th February, 1896. [234

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Hongkong, 25th January, 1892. [288

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Or if when old I living be,
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And an old age, serene and bright
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Hongkong, 23rd September, 1891. [1990

AUCTIONS.

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THE Undersigned has received Instructions to Sell by

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(SATURDAY, the 8th FEBRUARY, 1896,)

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TERMS OF SALE:—As Customary.

GEO. P. LAMMERT,
Auctioneer.

Hongkong, 4th February, 1896. [380

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On View at the Undersigned's.

TERMS OF SALE:—As Customary.

PAUL BREWITT,
Auctioneer.

Hongkong, 6th February, 1896. [401

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.
No. 26.

THE following Particulars and Conditions of Sale of CROWN LAND by PUBLIC AUCTION, to be held on the Spot, on MONDAY, the 10th day of FEBRUARY, 1896, at 4 P.M., are published for general information.

By Command,
J. H. STEWART LOCKHART,
Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Hongkong, 25th January, 1896. [363

Particulars and Conditions of the Letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on MONDAY, the 10th day of FEBRUARY, 1896, at 4 P.M., by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of One Lot of Crown Land, at Yaumati, Kowloon, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a Term of 75 years.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT

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Hongkong, 17th July, 1895. [36

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NOTICE OF FIRMS.

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Hongkong, 1st February, 1896.

C. P. KARBERG.

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NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of the late DAVID MONCRIEFF WRIGHT in the firm of D. MONCRIEFF WRIGHT CEASED on the 31st day of DECEMBER, 1894 since which date the Firm has been carried on by ROBERT JOHN HASTINGS upon his own Account.

The said ROBERT JOHN HASTINGS will continue to carry on the Business of the late Firm from the 1st day of JANUARY, 1896, under the name of D. M. WRIGHT & CO.

Tainanfu, 31st December, 1895. [128

NOTICE.

LLOYD'S REGISTER OF BRITISH AND FOREIGN SHIPPING, HONGKONG.

I HAVE appointed Mr. WILLIAM HENRY WALKER as ACTING SURVEYOR to the above Society during my temporary absence from the Colony.

ANDREW JOHNSTON,
Surveyor to Lloyd's Register of British and Foreign Shipping.

February 6th, 1896.
9, Praya Central, Hongkong. [405

ENTERTAINMENTS.

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Hongkong, 27th January, 1896. [292

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TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 11th, at 9.15 P.M.

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Hongkong, 5th February 1896. [374

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Feb. 7, SWATOW, German str., 632, H. Brorsen, Haiphong 4th Feb., Ballast.—MELCHERS & Co.

Feb. 7, SABINE RICKMERS, German str., 598, J. Sanders, Moji 2nd Feb., Coal.—ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.

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Swatow, British str., for Moji.
Nerite, British str., for Shanghai.
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Brunhilde, German str., for Bangkok.
Taiyick, German str., for Sumatra.

DEPARTURES.

Feb. 7, HAILOONG, British str., for Swatow.
Feb. 7, SIKH, British str., for Shanghai.
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Feb. 7, CHINGTU, British str., for Australia.
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SIR WILLIAM ROBINSON is not very consistent in his complaints against Queen's College. His Excellency at the beginning of his speech on Thursday said he wanted to tell those assembled what the College was established for and to ask them whether it was fulfilling its object. The statement of the object of the College was made by quoting some high flown sentences from Sir GEORGE BOWEN's speech at the opening of the building now occupied by the institution. His Excellency seems to be under the impression that the establishment of the College dates from that event, but that is quite a mistake; it had existed for many years previously and done admirable work as the Central School. When it changed its home into a new building Sir GEORGE BOWEN dubbed it a college, and a college it has since been in name, though remaining in fact what it was before, a school giving an elementary and secondary education. Sir GEORGE BOWEN also expressed the hope that Victoria (now Queen's) College would be developed at some future date into Victoria University, and Sir WILLIAM ROBINSON now complains that that hope is not in course of realisation. The Education Commission which sat in 1882 pronounced against elevating the Central School into a collegiate institution and expressed the opinion that the most advantageous employment of the public funds would be the development of the institution on its present basis. And Sir WILLIAM ROBINSON himself, after complaining in the earlier part of his speech that the school has not developed into a collegiate institution turning out pupils who would have the honour of introducing into their native land the results of the humane and enlightened jurisprudence and of the improved medical science of modern Europe, or as surveyors or engineers helping to cover the vast Empire of China with a network of railways and telegraphs, concludes by expressing the belief that the curriculum actually in force is too ambitious. While stating the alleged object of the College in the words of Sir GEORGE BOWEN, the whole tenour of the Governor's speech goes to show that that is not what the object should be. And, moreover, His Excellency seems to have overlooked a qualification introduced by Sir GEORGE BOWEN into his remarks on the occasion referred to, namely, that the pupils of the school could only be expected to develop into jurists, doctors, and civil engineers by completing their education in England. The real substance of His Excellency's complaint against the school, however, is that "the efforts of the Government "to promote the spread of the English "language have resulted in a complete "failure in making any impression on the "Chinese speaking residents of the colony." The statement is not strictly accurate, the considerable number of English speaking Chinese in the colony being evidence against it. However, the slow progress made in the spread of the English language amongst the native population is always a safe card to play and will be for many generations to come. The English language has not yet altogether supplanted Welsh and Gaelic in Great Britain itself and it is quite utopian to expect that within any measurable length of time it will supplant Chinese in Hongkong. If it were given to H.E. the Governor to return to the colony a couple of hundred years hence we have no doubt he would still find the bulk of the people speaking Chinese, as they do to-day. The success in promoting the use of the English language amongst the natives, therefore, cannot be absolute, but must continue relative only, and it is always open to critics to stigmatise merely relative success as complete or partial failure.

Queen's College has done and is doing excellent work. No doubt the institution, like all other institutions, is susceptible to improvement, and the Governing Body and the Head Master, with the Examiners' report before them, will be able to make arrangements to amend the weak spots that the last examination has brought to light; but that the teaching of English in the school is very far from being a total failure, as H.E. the Governor represents, is shown by the following extract from the Examiners' report:—"Shakespeare.—Three Acts from "'Henry V.' were offered by Class I. The "papers exhibit painstaking and careful "work both on the part of masters and boys. "The best average was obtained in section I. "C.A.; in this section every boy passed; one "received 90 and another 82 per cent. marks. "It is worthy of note that a question requiring "candidates to summarise in their own words "the arguments of a long speech was answered "by the majority with marked success." The question suggests itself whether the boys who were so successful were Chinese or European. Assuming them to have been Chinese the passage quoted must be considered very high praise; and boys who can summarise in their own words the argument of a long speech display a better grip of the language and a higher cultivation of the intellect than if they were merely able to patter off a few isolated facts as to the dimensions of the British Empire. "Do you know," said Sir WILLIAM ROBINSON, addressing the boys on Thursday, "that "during the Queen's reign her Colonial "subjects of European descent have increased "from two millions to upwards of nine millions? Do you know that during the same "period her Asiatic subjects have increased "from ninety-six millions to upwards of two "hundred and fifty-five millions; and that "other races in her colonies have increased "from two millions to more than seven "millions? Are any of you boys aware "that the area governed by Her Majesty in "India is 1,383,000 square miles, and in the "colonies it is upwards of 7,000,000 square "miles? Do you know that Her Majesty' "possessions embrace one-fifth of the habitable globe, and are three times greater than "the Roman Empire at the height of its "success and greatness?" The boys will no doubt take His Excellency's word for it, but these are not facts that one usually carries in his head. When required they are to be found in books of reference, to which, we venture to think, His Excellency must have had recourse in preparing his speech. If the members of the Executive and Legislative Councils were unexpectedly put through an examination on the statistics of the Empire it is safe to say that not one of them would succeed in passing. In the case of boys the greatness of the Empire should be impressed upon their minds by other means than dry statistics with figures running into the millions, which convey no concrete idea. There is one other point of detail in His Excellency's speech to which reference may be made. His Excellency objects to the teaching of Latin and Euclid in the school. Some years ago exception was taken in this column to the teaching of Latin to Chinese boys, and we then learned that Latin was not taught to Chinese boys but only to European boys. We are not aware if any change has been made since that time, but if it is still the fact that the language is taught to European boys only we should be inclined to advocate its continuance. As to Euclid, it is difficult to understand on what ground His Excellency objects to that subject. It affords good training for the mind, and the examiners in their report say "Euclid being such excellent and simple "English prose it seems desirable that it "should be taught." They add, however, that at present the time spent upon it is in the majority of cases, wasted. This seems to point to a defect in the system of teaching, but that can be amended, it is to be hoped, without eliminating the subject altogether. His Excellency says his only desire is to leave Queen's College in a better and more influential position and to make it a better and more influential institution than he found it. We hope the desire may be fulfilled, but His Excellency confesses that he is no educationist, a fact which is made apparent by his speech on Thursday, and the value of his criticism on points of detail must therefore be appraised accordingly.

We (*N. C. Daily News*) learn that our original statement that the Hanyang Ironworks are to be transferred to an English syndicate is correct.

M. C. Gauthier, French Vice-Consul at Pakhoi and Tonghing, has been appointed Consul at Suez and will shortly leave for his new post.

This afternoon on the Happy Valley, in the semi-final for the Hongkong Football Cup, Kowloon will play B Company, R.B. Kick-off at 4 p.m. Referee:—Mr. King.

The N. D. L. steamer *Prinz Heinrich*, with the German mail of the 13th January, left Singapore on Thursday, the 6th inst., and may be expected here on or about Monday, the 10th inst.

A military patient has died of hydrophobia in the bacteriological institute at Saigon. It appears he was bitten by a mad dog at Sontay, and was not sent to the institute until long after the accident.

To-morrow morning, between 9 and 10.30 o'clock, the steam launch *Dayspring*, carrying the Bethel flag, will call alongside any vessel hoisting the answering pennant, to convey men ashore to 11 a.m. service at St. Peter's (Seamen's) Church, returning about 12.30.

The Commercial Treaty is a long time in the making, says the *Peking and Tientsin Times*, but we have it on good authority that the limits of the requisite mutual concessions are now well defined, and that the really serious difficulties have been reduced to two or three, of which the chief is a proposed tax by China on manufactured goods before they leave the factory in China.

It is confidently asserted, writes a native correspondent from Canton, that a rebellion on a large scale will break out in Kwangtung province in about three months from now, and that the military authorities at Canton are preparing for a desperate struggle against the malcontents, who have sworn to spare no one, especially those of Tartar origin. There is a good deal of uneasiness in consequence amongst the wealthy classes of Canton and other large cities of Kwangtung, and the universal prayer is that some strong Governor may be sent out to hold the reins in Canton. Hsü Chen-yi ought to be the right man.—*N. C. Daily News.*

A telegram has been received at Shanghai from Peking, we learn from the *N. C. Daily News*, to the effect that H.E. Liu Kun-yi will remain at Tsingkiangpu over the Chinese New Year and will not come on to Nanking, H.E. Chang Chih-tung retaining the Viceroyalty of the Liangkiang. This news gives general satisfaction, as it means among other things that the contemplated railway from Shanghai to Soochow and Nanking will not be interfered with.

The Legislative Council will meet on Tuesday next at 3 p.m. The following is the order of the day:—

Financial Minute, No. 1.

Sanitary By-laws.

First reading of a Bill entitled an Ordinance to prevent doubts as to the validity of documents heretofore sealed with the Seal of the Colonial Court of Admiralty of Hongkong.

First reading of a Bill entitled an Ordinance to amend and consolidate the law relating to Factors.

First reading of a Bill entitled an Ordinance for codifying the law relating to the Sale of Goods.

First reading of a Bill entitled an Ordinance to amend the practice as to the vacating of the registration of a Lis pendens.

First reading of a Bill entitled an Ordinance to provide for the extradition of Fugitive Criminals from the territory of the British North Borneo Company.

First reading of a Bill entitled an Ordinance for the Incorporation of the President in Hongkong of the Basel Evangelical Missionary Society.

Committee on the Bill entitled an Ordinance to amend the law as to certain moneys paid into the Supreme Court or to the Registrar thereof.

N.B.—There will be meetings of the Finance and Public Works Committees after the meeting of Council.

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

[SUPPLIED TO THE "DAILY PRESS."]

LONDON, 5th February.

OBSEQUIES OF THE LATE PRINCE HENRY OF BATTENBURG.

The funeral of the late Prince Henry of Battenburg was an imposing military ceremony.

THE UNITED STATES BOND ISSUE.

The issue of the United States Bonds was covered five times.

GERMANY IN SOUTH AFRICA.

It is reported from Capetown that the visit of Mr. Leyds, of Berlin, is connected with a German purchase of seven miles of land on the coast of Delagoa Bay.

THE STRANDING OF THE "ON SANG."

MARINE COURT OF INQUIRY.

Yesterday morning a Marine Court of Inquiry was held at the Harbour Master's office to inquire into the circumstances connected with the stranding, on the 20th January, of the British steamship *On Sang*, official number 105,745, of London, of which William Vize Carmichael, the number of whose certificate of competency is 05612, was master and commander.

The Court was constituted as follows:—Hon. R. Murray Rumsey, R.N., Stipendiary Magistrate, President; Commander Kipplowade, R.N., H.M.S. *Centurion*; Mr. Henry Pybus, master of British steamer *Empress of India*; Mr. John Punton, master of British steamer *Victoria*; Mr. David Owen, master of British steamer *Adowa*.

The inquiry was held under the provisions of section 13 of Ordinance 26 of 1891.

The President—I have to inform the Court that the late captain of the *On Sang* has left the colony. In his absence I propose that the Court inquire into the circumstances connected with the accident to the ship as far as any evidence can be obtained and with that view I caused four officers—the first and second mates and the first and second engineers—to be summoned of come and give their evidence.

Alfred Edward Hargreaves said—I am first mate of the *On Sang*, and hold a master's certificate issued at London in 1886. I have been on the *On Sang* since 16th October. She is a new ship and arrived off Lyemoon about 9.45 p.m. on the 20th January. I left the bridge off the island of Tautu and the second mate relieved me. I went to the forecastle head to get the anchors ready. The Captain was on the bridge. The night was heavy and the top of the Peak was covered with mist. I did not get any special instructions to keep a look-out. There was one look-out man, a Chinaman. There was no ship in the way of the steamer between leaving Lyemoon and striking the Cust Rocks. She struck about twenty minutes past ten o'clock. I could not say what speed she was going; I suppose it was three or four knots. I heard the telegraph bell ring on two occasions. I did not get any orders from the captain. I could not say what courses were being steered. Before I left the bridge I understood from the captain that he was going to make for Kellett Island. I noticed the lights at Hunghom Docks. I did not see the rocks before striking, but a minute or two before I saw a buoy on the starboard bow and I reported it. I do not know what buoy it was; I think it was one of the Dock buoys. It was an ordinary white drum buoy. There was a flood tide at the time. I had consulted the captain on the subject of going into the harbour. I asked him where he intended to anchor, and he told me. I did not discuss the subject of tide, currents, or the general navigation of the ship beyond saying that it was a flood tide and there were strong currents. I had been to Hongkong before, and have entered the harbour on a similar night. The captain told me he was well acquainted with Hongkong harbour and knew the currents well. After the ship struck we manœuvred her to see if we could run ashore. Previous to that a policeman had boarded the ship. We found the ship was rapidly making water and the policeman was called in order to give us information of the whereabouts of a sandy beach. The ship did not pass the rocks, but after striking she glanced off. Her head was pointed for North Point and she was taken across the harbour and beached very easily just inside the line of the telegraph cable. There was a leadsman in the chains. I do not know why the captain came in at the east entrance; perhaps it was because he knew it better and it was nearer than the west entrance. We came straight from Manila. I do not know whether the captain steered by compass; I believe he was off the bridge several times. The chart was in the captain's room just under the bridge. I estimated that when the vessel passed the Dock point she was two or three cables off and heading for Hongkong lights. We did not see the Channel Rocks. I did not think the tide was having an effect on the course of the ship. Between passing the Lyemoon Pass and the time I saw the buoy she was heading for Hongkong lights. I was keeping a look-out more on the Kellett Island side. We did not see the electric lights until after passing North Point. I saw the buoy three or four minutes after passing the lights at the dock. I expected to see the captain keeping more towards the Hongkong shore. I saw lights in the kerosine anchorage which I took to be riding lights, but with the aid of my glass I could not be certain whether they were. I do not know how many times the course was altered between Lyemoon Pass and the Cust Rocks, but I noticed it was altered. I did not hear any orders given from the bridge to the wheel; I was too far away.

Arthur Roberts Woodrow said—I am second officer of the *On Sang*, and hold a first mate's certificate issued in London in 1895. I went on the bridge on the 20th January about 9.25 p.m., when the ship was nearly opposite D'Aguilar light. I remained on the bridge from that time until the ship struck. The captain was on the bridge all the time. I remember passing Collinson light. We were then steering by land, the captain giving all the directions. The night was heavy. Off Collinson light the engines were going full-speed, which was not reduced through the Lyemoon Pass. After coming through the Pass the captain kept the ship's head as he thought fit and gave the quartermaster directions. I had never been on the bridge before when coming into Hongkong and could not form any idea as to the position of the ship from time to time. The captain made no remark to me about the position after coming through the Pass. I was stationed by the telegraph on the bridge. I did not take any notice of the position of the ship's head, as I was at the end of the bridge and the compass was in the centre. I do not know the lights of the harbour, and did not take particular notice of them. I have been to Hongkong about half a dozen times before, but never while on the bridge. I remember a buoy being reported from the forecastle. I remember passing lights on the starboard side shortly before. I do not remember ever seeing those lights straight ahead; to the best of my recollection they were always on the starboard bow. The course was altered between the time we left the Pass and striking, but I do not know how many times. The captain gave his orders verbally to the quartermaster. I did not form an opinion that the course was altered to counteract any set of the ship to starboard; the question did not strike me at all. When the buoy was reported I think, but I am not certain, the captain went a little more to port. He took his glass and examined the buoy, and it was shortly after that the ship struck. I do not know whether the tide was with or against us as we came through the harbour. The engines were eased to "slow" about twenty minutes after coming through the Pass; we were hardly opposite the Dock lights then. The telegraph was rung only on this occasion before we struck. We passed the buoy not a ship's length away. The full speed of the ship was 8½ or 9 knots. The captain was on the bridge the whole time, except when he went to consult the chart. I think he went down about three times, and was away only a very short time. The captain was perfectly sober. I have never seen him under the influence of drink. When the buoy was reported the captain rushed down to the chart room and immediately came up again and the helm was starboarded, I think.

The witness Hargreaves was recalled and said—The alteration in the direction of the ship's head which was made after the buoy was reported was towards the starboard hand, not to port. In consequence of this I left the forecastle head and went on to the bridge. As I got on to the bridge the ship struck. My object in going on the bridge was to give the captain any information, as I thought we were too close in passing the buoy. As I got on the bridge I hardly had time to speak before she struck. I said something like "Better haul her out." I did not at first think it was a rock we had struck. I did not hear the order that was given to the wheel after the buoy was reported. When I got on the bridge the captain did not make any remark to lead me to believe that his order to the wheel had been misunderstood and not carried out. I thought it was one of the Dock buoys, but I did not tell the captain so as there was not time. I went aft on to the bridge because I saw the buoy was close and because I saw the ship's head pointing towards the light on Kowloon Point.

No further witnesses were called. The President asked the first mate if the quartermaster was in the colony and the reply was that he had gone to Shanghai as well as the captain.

The finding of the Court was as follows—We find that the British steamship *On Sang*, official number 105,745, of London, of which William Vize Carmichael, was master, arrived off the east entrance to Hongkong at about 9.45 p.m. on the 20th January, 1896. That the captain had announced his intention of anchoring in the vicinity of Kellett Island. The ship proceeded through the Lyemoon Pass and about half an hour after she struck on the Cust Rocks. She was afterwards beached on the Hongkong side to the west of North Point. From the evidence before it the Court has formed the opinion that the captain would have displayed better judgment if he had not attempted to enter the port at night, and it would appear that his local knowledge did not justify him in doing so. Nor does it appear that any special precautions were taken under the circumstances. The master, however, has not appeared before the Court, and the Court is informed that he has left the colony, although there are grounds for believing that before he left he was aware that a Court would be appointed to investigate the casualty to his ship. His departure, therefore, has the appearance of an unwillingness to appear before such Court. In his absence, however, and without his having an opportunity of making a defence, the Court does not deal with his certificate. The officers appear to have conducted themselves in a proper and becoming manner under the circumstances. Given under our hand and seal, &c.

HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE CO., LIMITED.

The following is the report for presentation to the shareholders at the twenty-seventh ordinary general meeting to be held at the offices of the General Managers, on Thursday, the 27th February:—

The General Managers and Consulting Committee have pleasure in laying before the shareholders the twenty-seventh annual report of the Company.

1894 Account.—The result of the year's working shows a profit of $92,503.93, which sum, with the approval of the Consulting Committee, it is now proposed to deal with as follows:—

Bonus to contributing shareholders	$20,103.93
Dividend of $9.05 per share	72,400.00
	$92,503.93

1895 Account.—This account shows a balance at credit of $260,712.64.

MORTGAGES.

The General Managers and Consulting Committee are satisfied that the securities held by the Company form an ample guarantee for the advances made.

CONSULTING COMMITTEE.

Messrs. J. S. Moses and C. J. Holliday having left the colony, Messrs. M. D. Ezekiel and A. Ross have been nominated to the vacant seats, and their appointment requires to be confirmed. The present members, Messrs. Chater, Bird, Lewis, Ezekiel, and Ross, retire, but offer themselves for re-election.

AUDITORS.

The accounts have been audited by Messrs. Fullarton Henderson and A. Coxon, whose re-election is recommended.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Managers,
Hongkong Fire Insurance Company, Limited.

Hongkong, 4th February, 1896.

BALANCE SHEET, 31ST DECEMBER, 1895.

Dr. LIABILITIES.		$ c.
Capital subscribed	$2,000,000.00	
Amount paid-up		400,000.00
Reserve fund		1,000,000.00
Uncollected dividends		2,090.32
Accounts payable		37,898.15
Working account, 1894:—		
Net profit		92,503.93
Working account, 1895:—		
Amount brought forward from below		260,712.64
		$1,793,205.04

Cr. ASSETS.		$ c.
Cash, on current account with Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation		12,961.52
Cash in hands of General Managers		3,720.12
Fixed deposits:—		
Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation	$300,000.00	
Chartered Bank of India, Australia, and China	50,000.00	
Mercantile Bank of India, Ld.	50,000.00	
		400,000.00
Mortgages:—		
In Hongkong	$654,500.00	
In Shanghai	442,146.03	
In Foochow	59,000.00	
In Amoy	20,000.00	
		1,175,646.03
Investments:—		
Chinese Imperial Government loan, 1886	$33,066.69	
Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Limited, debentures	60,000.00	
200 shares in the Hongkong Land Investment Co., Ld.	13,000.00	
5 shares in the China Fire Insurance Co., Limited	375.00	
		106,441.69
Steam fire engines		2,000.00
Accounts receivable		92,426.68
		$1,793,205.04

WORKING ACCOUNT, 1894.

		$ c.
To losses and claims paid		72,446.25
To return premia and re-insurances		8,761.60
To remuneration to Consulting Committee and auditors		6,500.00
To balance as above		92,503.93
		$180,213.78
By balance from last account		$167,223.19
By profit on exchange		11,101.86
By increased value of investments	$2,618.00	
By profit on sale of Hongkong Inland Lot No. 37	527.22	
	$3,145.22	
Less loss on property Hongkong R.P. of Inland Lot No. 265, resumed by the Government	1,256.49	
		1,888.73
		$180,213.78

WORKING ACCOUNT, 1895.

	$ c.
To losses and claims paid	$41,923.06
To charges	21,399.38
To commissions	26,985.20
To fire brigade expenses	709.24
To exchange	1,946.58
To balance as above	260,712.64
	$353,671.69
By net premia received, less returns and re-insurances	$250,085.66
By interest	103,438.03
By transfer fees	148.00
	$353,671.69

SIGNORINA BELINFANTE AT CANTON.

[FROM A CORRESPONDENT.]

CANTON, 6th February.

A concert was given here last night by Signorina Estrela Belinfante, assisted by local amateurs. Signorina Belinfante, admirably accompanied by Mr. Kugel, was in splendid voice and charmed the audience with her singing, particularly of the ballads, which were delightfully rendered and heartily encored.

The amateur performers all acquitted themselves most creditably, and the evening was a most enjoyable one, in spite of the inclement weather.

The following was the programme:—

PART I.

Piano Duet...... "Spanish Dances" ...... Moszkowski.
Mrs. RUFF and Miss CORSELLIS.

Song...... "Quando a Se Licta" (Faust)... Gounod.
Signorina BELINFANTE.

Violin and Piano ... "Berceuse" .... Jocelyn.
Mr. PASQUIER and Mr. KUGEL.

Song......... "Romance de Mignon" .... Thomas.
Mrs. PESTALOZZI.

Song............ "Cradle Song" .... Randegger.
Signorina BELINFANTE.

PART II.

Violin and Piano "Allegro Brillante" ... Ten Have.
Mrs. ADAMS and Mr. HUBER.

Song......... "Che Faro Senza Euridice" ...... Gluck.
Signorina BELINFANTE.

Song { "Das Veilchen" .... Mozart. / "Liebchen ist da!" .... Franz.
Mrs. PESTALOZZI.

Piano Duet......... "Bolero" .... Moszkowski.
Mrs. RUFF and Miss CORSELLIS.

Song ...... "Herrings are in the Bay" ...... Molloy.
Signorina BELINFANTE.

CANTON NOTES.

[FROM THE "CHUNG NGOI SAN PO."]

The newly appointed Governor of Canton, Hu Tsun Wai, at present Governor-General of the river Hoang Ho, will go to Peking at the end of this month for an audience of the Emperor. He is expected to arrive at Canton at the beginning of March.

The Custom-house in Canton will be closed from 2 p.m. on the 11th instant to 8 a.m. on the 16th instant for the Chinese New Year holidays. The Native Customs will be closed from 6 p.m. on the 12th instant to 6 a.m. on the 16th instant.

The Viceroy, the Governor, and all the other officers, civil and military, in Canton will go in official robes to Man-shau-kung every day from the 10th instant to the 17th instant to hold services and will kneel down and face the North to kowtow to the Emperor and pray for his long life.

The officers are now doing their utmost to squeeze the people to obtain money to pay the indemnity to Japan. The likin taxes on wine and tobacco are doubled.

The officers are now sending out soldiers every day to patrol the streets, fearing that serious crimes may be committed owing to the approach of the Chinese new year. The soldiers have been ordered to behead on the spot those who are caught committing robbery in the streets.

On the 5th instant six robbers went to ask each of the brick shops in Kutlu village for one hundred taels, and they said that if their demands were not complied with they would ruin the shops. One of the shops paid them thirty taels, but all the other shops refused to pay. Some shop people informed the villagers, who came forward with their guns. The robbers saw the villagers approaching and fired at them, the villagers firing in return. At last four robbers were arrested, one was killed, and only one effected his escape. Only two villagers were slightly wounded.

CORRESPONDENCE.

[We do not hold ourselves responsible for the opinions expressed by our correspondents.]

PUBLIC COMPANIES AND THEIR MANAGEMENT.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "DAILY PRESS."

SIR,—Will you kindly grant me space in your valuable columns to ask "Look Out" if he will also speak about the incompetent men placed in charge of Companies in this colony. Some of these men are so-called engineers and are put into these places, often over the practical man, who has to teach them their duty and take their orders at the same time. This sort of thing is grossly unfair to intelligent men and is not known in any other country or colony in the world with the exception of poor benighted Hongkong. This sort of management has ruined several Companies I could mention in this colony, whereas if the practical man had been given the management many of the utter failures would have been paying concerns to-day.—Yours truly,

OUT LOOK.

Hongkong, 7th February, 1896.

ICHANG.

We learn from private advices to hand from Ichang, dated 25th January, that the Japanese Consul-General and his secretary have arrived there from Shasi, and were expecting to leave for Chungking the next day. The Japanese Commercial Mission had arrived from Chungking and spoke in eulogistic terms of their treatment by the Chinese authorities while *en route* both up and down river and during their stay in the city. The members of the mission are reported to be favourably impressed with the importance of the trade of Szechuen, and especially of Chungking, as the great distributing centre for the trade of Western China. It is also stated that they are convinced of the practicability of navigating the Yangtsze by steamers from Ichang to Chungking, and if favourable conditions could be secured for any length of time, it is probable they could see their way to bring over some of the small fast steamers now on the Inland Sea, and run them on the upper Yangtsze.

We also hear that Messieurs Monnier and Bleton have left Ichang for the provincial capital of Szechuen, and after visiting Omishan will continue their journey south to Tonkin.

A young French traveller, Monsieur Madrolle, we are informed, has just arrived in Ichang and may shortly be expected in Shanghai, having so far completed a most interesting journey from Tonkin viâ Yunnanfu, Tatsienlu, Chungking, and Ichang.

The writer concludes by saying the arrangements for the opening of Shasi are about concluded, the Commissioner of Customs having returned to Ichang with the Consul-General, and, further, that energetic steps are being taken by the British Consul to secure a cemetery on the Ichang side of the river, not that it is really necessary, owing to the climate of Ichang being so dry, but it is thought advisable to have one in case of accidents, and at the same time efforts are being made to secure a recreation ground for the crews of men-of-war visiting the port.—*N. C. Daily News.*

THE CHENGTU COMMISSION.

Shanghai, 3rd February.

The U.S. Chêngtu Commission has returned, having arrived here safely on Saturday after four months of arduous travel. We are glad to learn that the Chinese officials everywhere in the four provinces traversed were most friendly, especially so at Chêngtu, where the Viceroy, who is described as a splendidly capable ruler, has the people thoroughly in hand. Every facility was given the Commisson in the conduct of its investigation; there were no signs of obstructiveness, and the missionary claims were promptly agreed to, and the returning missionaries received in the most friendly manner. In Chêngtu every diligence was being shown in searching out the officials who were implicated in the outrages. We believe that it is fairly well established that the cause of the riot at Chêngtu was as alleged by the speakers at the meetings in Shanghai; and in this connection we may mention that the U.S. Department of State has expressed its strong approval of the action of the American meeting here, and the course taken by the U.S. Consul-General in the matter. The work of the Commission promises to be of great value as a preventive of riots in the future; and the Commissioners must be congratulated on the thoroughness and complete discretion with which they have carried out the difficult work imposed on them by the U.S. Government, as well as on the success that has crowned their labours. Their report has to go to Peking and thence to Washington before it can be made public in China.—*N. C. Daily News.*

JUDGMENT IN THE SEOUL EMEUTE CASE.

The text of the sentence of acquittal passed in the case of Viscount Miura and others, as the result of the preliminary examination at Hiroshima, is now given in Tokyo papers. After giving the names, occupations, &c., of all the forty-eight persons accused, it runs as follows:—

"At the instance of the Public Procurator, the Court has preliminarily examined Okamoto Ryunosuke and forty-seven others charged with assassination and instigation to rebellion, and Hirayama Iwahiko charged with murder, and has found:

"Miura Goro, accused, stayed in Seoul as Minister to Korea since Sept. 1st, 1895, and while in that post saw to his insupportable grief and indignation that things in Korea were getting worse and worse, the Court abusing its influence and interfering in the affairs of state so much that it was deranging the laws which had begun to be reformed by the kindly offices of the Japanese Government, and was not only disbanding the Hun-ryon-tai troops organised by the exertions of Japanese officers, but was also inflicting punishments on their officers, all these indicating the Korean Court's coldness toward Japan. He also heard that the Court intended to punish or execute those Cabinet members who were eager to substantiate the Korean independence, and thought that all these measures of the Court in acting contrary to the kind intention of Japan, which had spent labours and money for the Korean kingdom, were not only detrimental to the improvement of Korean affairs and dangerous to the national independence, but were also harmful to Japanese interests. While he was thus convinced that the abuses of Korea must be corrected and her independence protected, and at the same time Japan's prestige in Korea must be maintained, he received a secret application from Tai-won-kun, who was also indignant at the state of things in Korea, for assistance in his attempt to force reforms in the Court, and to give counsel to the King. Thereupon, on Oct. 3rd, 1895, he met Sugimura Fukashi, Legation Secretary, and Okamoto Ryunosuke, Military Adviser to Korea, in the Japanese Legation. These three men, after consultation, decided to assist Tai-won-kun in his attempt to enter the palace at Seoul, by availing themselves of the Hun-ryon-tai troops, who were hated by the Court and always felt uneasy, as well as some young fanatics, at the same time instructing the Japanese troops in Seoul to secretly assist them and to take an opportunity of killing the Queen, who exercised the greatest power in the Court. But if after the plot had been accomplished Tai-won-kun interfered in the affairs of state, the state of affairs would be worse than before, and some precaution was considered necessary. Thereupon, Sugimura Fukashi drew a draft of agreement headed "Four Important Items" to be demanded of Tai-won-kun, and Okamoto Ryunosuke, who had been intimate with Tai-won-kun, took it to the latter's residence at Kong-dok-ri on October 5th. There at Kong-dok-ri Okamoto told the aged Korean Prince that the present state of affairs would require his exertions, and showed him the draft of agreement to explain the conditions which Minister Miura would demand of him. The Prince willingly accepted the demand with his son and grandson, and made a written oath. Then the time for rising was fixed for the middle of the month, and Okamoto, in order to make others believe that his visit to Tai-won-kun has been simply to bid farewell, so as to avoid suspicion, left Seoul on October 6th for Jinsen. But on the following day the Korean Minister for War An Hyong-su called upon Miura and officially notified him of the Court's intention to disband the Hun-ryon-tai troops. On the receipt of such a notice there was no time to lose, and Miura and Sugimura decided to take action immediately and wired to Okamoto to return to Seoul with all speed. At the same time they gave a written plan to Horiguchi Kumaichi for assisting Tai-won-kun in his entrance to the palace, and instructed him to await Okamoto in Yong-san and accompany him into the palace. Mayabara Muhon (Major), Commander of the Japanese troops in Seoul, was also instructed to oversee the Hun-ryon-tai troops and to encourage them by leading his troops by their side, so as to make the entrance of Tai-won-kun into the palace easier. Miura also invited Adachi Kenzo and Kunitomo Shigeaki to the Legation and requested them to collect their friends to meet Okamoto at Yong-san and to escort Tai-won-kun into the palace. They were also instigated to kill the Queen, as the root of all the evils of the twenty years past was to be exterminated by this decisive action. Hagiwara Hidejiro, Police Inspector, was instructed to lead his policemen to Yong-san, and there to consult Okamoto on steps for assisting Tai-won-kun into the palace. While Miura was making these arrangements Sugimura explained to Suzuki Shigemoto and Asayama Kenzo the nature of the plot, and told them to send Suzuki Junken as an interpreter to Yong-san, and to give information about the affair to Yi Chu-hoi (Korean), who had been eager to see Tai-won-kun in the palace. Sugimura also handed to Hagiwara a note explaining the reasons of Tai-won-kun's entrance to the palace, and asking him to give it to Horiguchi. Thus instructed, Horiguchi immediately rode to Yong-san, followed by Hagiwara, who had instructed his policemen off duty to proceed to the same place also in plain dress, carrying swords. Watanabe Takajiro, Narai Kishiro, Oda Toshimitsu, Kiwaki Sukenori, and Sakai Masutaro, policemen, all obeyed the command of their superior Hagiwara and assembled at Yong-san, while Yokoo Yutaro, policeman, met them in the same place from another direction. Adachi saw Yi Chu-hoi, as he had been told, and told him of the plot, and after having seen him start with several Koreans for Kong-dok-ri hastened to Yong-san. Suzuki Shigemoto also took Suzuki Junken to Yong-san, as he had been required. Adachi and Kunitomo having determined to act upon Miura's instigation to kill the Queen immediately set about the task of collecting their friends, and succeeded in mustering Hiroyama Iwahiko, Sasa Masayuki, Matsumura Tatsuoki, Sasaki Tadashi, Ushijima Hideo, Kobayakawa Hideo, Miyazumi Yuki, Sato Keita, Sawamura Masao, Katano Takeo, Fuji Katsuaki, Hirota Shizen, Kikuchi Kenjo, Yoshida Tomokichi, Nakamura Tateo, Namba Harukichi, Terasaki Taikichi, Iyeiri Kakichi, Tanaka Kendo, Kumabe Yonekichi, Tsukinari Kwo, Yamada Ressei, Sase Kumatetsu, and Shibuya Katoji, who also consented to escort Tai-won-kun into the palace. Of these men, Hirayama and ten odd others were told by Adachi and Kunitomo of Miura's instruction to kill the Queen, and determined to carry out the murderous plan. Many others followed the party to Yong-san with weapons in hand, though unaware of what was really going on, simply as a matter of curiosity. Kunitomo, Tsukinari, and three others, however, did not proceed thither at the time. Okamoto, who had been in Jinsen, left there immediately for Seoul on the receipt of a telegram informing him of the crisis, and on his way received a message at Ma-po from Horiguchi telling him that he was awaited at Yong-san. He then hastened to the appointed place, where he saw the party before mentioned, and received from Horiguchi a letter from Miura and a draft of the note explaining the reasons of Tai-won-kun's entrance into the palace. After consultation on the plan of making a raid upon the palace, Okamoto was placed at the head of the party, and proceeded to Kong-dok-ri, where he joined the party of Yi Chu-hoi. At 3 a.m. on Oct. 8th, the party of Japanese and Koreans left Kong-dok-ri, escorting Tai-won-kun's palanquin. In front of the outer gate of the Seoul castle, Okamoto collected his men and commanded that the "fox in the capital" should be disposed of as occasion might require, thus instigating them to kill the Queen, and inducing Sakai and several others, who had been unaware of the plot, to the determination to carry out the murderous plan. The party then slowly advanced toward the palace, and met the Hun-ryon-tai troops outside the Western Gate, where they awaited for a while the arrival of Japanese troops. They then rushed toward the palace, with the Hun-ryon-tai troops as their advance guard. On the way to the palace Kunitomo, Tsukinari, Yamada, Sase, and Shibuya joined them. Hasumoto Yasumaru and Oura Shigehiko, who had been requested by Mayabara to follow the Japanese officers overseeing the Hun-ryon-tai as their interpreters, were also among the party. Near daybreak the party entered the castle from the Kwang-hwa Gate, and intruded into the harem. In spite of all the facts above mentioned, the evidence is not sufficient to prove that any of the accused actually accomplished a criminal deed. Hirayama Iwahiko is said to have murdered Korean Household Minister Yi Kyong-sik in front of the Kon-chong palace, but on his point there is no sufficient evidence. The evidence is also insufficient to prove that Shiba Shiro, Osaki Masakichi, Takeda Neriyuki, Mayeda Shunzo, Hirayama Katsukuma, and Shiraishi Yoshitaro took part in the plot in any way.

"For the reasons above stated the charge against all the accused is hereby dismissed according to art. 165 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, and Miura Gorgo, Sugimura Fukashi, Okamoto Ryunosuke, Adachi Kenzo, Kunitomo Shigeaki, Terasaki Taikichi, Hirayama Iwahiko, Nakamura Tateo, Fuji Katsuaki, Iyeiri Kakichi, Kiwaki Sukenori, and Sakai Masutaro, who were still detained, are all acquitted, documents and other articles seized being returned to their respective owners.

"Done at the Hiroshima Chiho Saibansho, this 20th day of January, 1896.—Yoshioka Tomihide, Preliminary Examination Judge; Tamura Yoshiharu, Clerk of the Court."—*Japan Gazette.*

CHINESE MINERS' LAW.

The *Selangor Journal*, in the course of a description of how Chinese mining *kongsies* are organised there, thus sets forth the way the miners keep order among themselves:—

As it is necessary where several hundred men live together that order and discipline should be strictly maintained amongst them, the Chinese miners have wisely adopted a sort of trial by court martial which they call "Beet-chala." The most common offence is assault. In a fight the man that raises his hand first is considered guiltier than the one who is provoked to fight, and if a man is wounded in a disturbance the person who dealt the blow must bear the expenses of his treatment by the village "sinsang" (doctor) and burn several hundreds of crackers as a peace offering. Sometimes the guilty party is fined in pork, that is, he must buy ten, twenty, or more catties of pork according to the enormity of his crime and treat the injured party to a feast. In the case of his assaulting the head overseer, clerk, or any of the superior officers a whole pig is generally slaughtered at his expense and everyone in the *kongsi* entertained at the feast. This is only making the reparation due to the *kongsi* whose rules he has violated; to satisfy the head overseer or any superior officer whom he may have assaulted, he has also to burn several thousands of crackers and to offer up joss-sticks before the altar.

CAMPHOR.

The increased demand for this substance, which is obtained by distillation from the wood of the *Cinnamomum Camphora*, a tree of Japan and China, has led to enquiries being addressed to Kew as to its extended cultivation in the Colonies. It grows freely in Southern Europe and is suitable for planting in any warm temperate climate. The following note is extracted from *The British North Borneo Herald* for September 16th:—"Nearly twenty years ago Formosa camphor was quoted at $20 per picul, but from various causes, chiefly owing to the invention of smokeless gunpowder, in the manufacture of which it is largely used, the price has now risen to $79. In this connection it is a curious fact to note that camphor which discharges a large volume of carbon during combustion should produce a smokeless compound." The cause assigned for the rise of price proves to be erroneous, as will be seen from the following note, for which Kew is indebted to Sir Frederick Abel:—

"Imperial Institute, S.W.

"Dear Mr. Thiselton Dyer,

"Any increase in demand, involving a rise in the price of camphor, is not due to its application as a constituent of smokeless powder. That material *was* used in the earliest days of the manufacture of a successful smokeless powder for artillery and small arms; but it was soon demonstrated to be attended with serious practical disadvantages, and its application for this purpose can, therefore, not be said to have been other than experimental, and of no importance even at that time, as affecting the market value of camphor. This substance has, however, been used extensively for many years past, and no doubt in continually increasing quantities, for the conversion of collodion cotton into the material known as *celluloid*, which is applied to the manufacture of imitation ivory, tortoise-shell, horn, and a great variety of purposes.—Yours sincerely,

"F. A. ABEL.

"W. T. Thiselton Dyer, C.M.G., C.I.E., F.R.S., Royal Gardens, Kew."

—*Imperial Institute Journal.*

INDIA AND GOLD PRODUCTION.

The vast development which is taking place in the production of gold, especially in South Africa and Australia, is a very important economic fact in the history of the world, and is of especial interest to India, where the position of silver as a currency has had very great results on commerce and on the affairs of Government. It is still too early to speculate as to the probable effects of the great increase in the production of gold in India and the East generally. We will try to watch their development and keep our readers informed regarding them, but meantime it will be useful to note a few of the actual facts.

The mining boom which has taken place during the past twelve months or so has assumed so great dimensions that it may be reckoned among the most important economic features of the day. London seems to be in a sort of frenzy, and for some time it rained prospectuses of new mines, and every stage of society seems to be infected with the speculative spirit. The business of the Stock Exchange and other channels of transacting such affairs has increased to a very large extent, and all sorts of people are trying to realise fortunes in a rapid manner by becoming interested in gold mining. No doubt, many of the concerns which have been floated are thoroughly sound and certain to yield very huge returns, but when we see that the aggregate quotation of the Witwatersrand shares alone have risen from £30,000,000 last autumn to over £150,000,000 now, and that shares in some cases have risen 3,000 per cent., although they have not as yet yielded a farthing in dividends, we may rest assured that there has been a great deal of wild speculation which must inevitably tend to a crash, which will no doubt cause a great reaction in the industry when we are assured on good authority that the value of gold in the Witwatersand district, down to a depth of 1,200 feet, is something between £300,000,000 and £350,000,000, and we see that many of the well-established mines are now producing large quantities of gold. It is evident that they are certain of giving very large returns for the money invested.

The conditions under which many of the new ventures have been floated and those under which they will be worked are, however, sufficient to show that they are doomed to failure. A consideration of all the circumstances must lead us to the conclusion that, unless the unreasoning boom be checked, it will lead to a collapse which will be felt in the entire business world. Already, indeed, signs are not wanting that a crisis is at hand. We cannot, of course, pursue this aspect of the subject and will content ourselves with having sounded a note of warning and proceed to record a few of the actual facts which may have very important results on the financial relations of India, and change the conditions of many of the problems which are now puzzling the brains of financiers and commercial men, especially in the silver-using countries of the East.

Not so very long ago there was a great outcry that the supply of gold would soon prove quite inadequate to the demand, but now the reverse is beginning to be the case, and people are growing alarmed lest in no great time it may become too abundant. That the supply has been rapidly increasing during the past few years is patent to everyone who has taken any trouble to inquire into the matter. During the past few years the following figures show the rate of increase:—1890, 5,500,000 oz.; 1891, 6,180,000 oz.; 1892, 6,750,000 oz.; 1893, 7,374,000 oz.; 1894, 10,280,000 oz.

These figures are taken from the revised estimates of the United States mint authorities, and may be assumed as approximately correct. Taking the average output per annum over the period 1870-90, we find that it is a little over 5,000,000 oz., showing that during the past four years there has been a very rapid increase, and that during last year the output was double of that average. The following shows the several sources of supply during the last four years:—

	1891.	1892.	1893.	1894.
	oz.	oz.	oz.	oz.
Australasia	1,313,090	1,658,238	1,711,892	2,350,000
United States	1,604,840	1,597,098	1,739,081	1,910,000
Russia	1,165,769	1,193,266	1,200,000	1,500,000
Africa	725,869	1,201,818	1,563,195	2,300,000
Other Countries	1,085,298	1,215,182	1,160,090	2,119,200

The increase of output in Australia has been comparatively slow and steady, while that of Russia and Siberia has been considerable, due,

... the case of the United States, to improved methods of mining and the more skilful treatment of ores.

When, however, we turn to South Africa, we find an entirely different state of affairs, for there a wholly new and increasingly productive source of supply has been opened up within the last ten years—we might almost say within the last five years—for up to 1889 the output of the African goldfields did not reach a million sterling. The following shows the rapid force of development:—1886, £70,000; 1887, 122,395; 1888, 843,210; 1888, 1,390,965; 1890, 1,890,787; 1891, 2,915,969; 1892, 4,638,879; 1893, 5,622,250; 1894, 7,300,000. So that in nine years South Africa has added 25 millions to the world's available stock of gold, and the rate of production is certain to increase. As it is, Africa is second on the list of gold-producing countries, and in a short time it will be first.

How will all this affect prices and the conditions of commerce? There can be no doubt that the prices of commodities will rise as soon as the money requirements of the nations have been filled up. Among other things, the price of silver will go up relatively to gold, and probably put a stop to the agitation for bimetallism. It will be rather curious to watch the arguments of those who were in favour of bimetallism under the new conditions of things. More important, however, will it be to observe the effects on trade and on the financial problems connected with India.—*Indian and Eastern Engineer.*

SPORT AND ANECDOTE.

BY AN OLD FOGEY.

"RING OUT THE OLD, RING IN THE NEW."

For some reason or other I always dread retrospects; they always appear a trifle uncanny. Puffing a cigar after a comfortable meal, making pictures in the glowing fire, anon watching the blue smoke twisting and curling into fantastic fairies, perhaps it is a bit pleasing to recall the doings of the past year, and build up castles for the coming one. Few there are, however, who have not found the year of 1895 a mixture of sunshine and shadow, a blending of the grave and the gay, a period of highest hopes and sore disappointments. 'Tis inevitable. True, we have rung out the old year, and are ready with our welcomes for the new. What hopes, what aspirations—aye, what resolutions are shaping themselves as this is being written. We have had the sweets and the bitters, and doubtless have made up our minds that the sweets shall predominate in '96 so far as lies within our power. But is it fair quite to leave old '95 without a word of recognition? Scarcely. In many respects the year just run its course will stand out as a memorable one. The King of Terrors was early afield, and so that we may get over the sad part of the picture first, perhaps we had best take a glimpse at the dread harvest reaped. Most sporting men knew George Fryer, of Nottingham, the celebrated boxer, and those who knew him always spoke of him with respect. Gaining no little distinction as an amateur, he afterwards joined the professional ranks, and amongst a good deal that was sordid and very often disreputable kept up his good name; and when he died on January 9, expressions of regret were heard from all quarters. For the greater part of his professional career he was known as "Prussian," and as a clean, hard hitter he could hold his own with most in his day. Built on the big side, he put on flesh rapidly; and so arduous was the training to get down to anything like approximate weight that for many years he contented himself with display boxing, at which he was an adept. It was my good fortune to see him in various combinations—from a Michaelmas Fair booth to a "star" troupe under Jem Mace or John L. Sullivan—but he was always the same chirpy, easy-going giver and receiver. Fryer, at any rate, deserved to be classed as one of the "old school." The month of January also robbed the Turf of one of its most famous horsemen in Fred Barrett, whose brilliant successes on Donovan, Ayrshire, and other of the Duke of Portland's horses will be fresh in the minds of most sporting men. Only a few days later England lost Lord Randolph Churchill, whose brilliant, if somewhat meteoric, career was such as to call forth the encomiums of all classes of men. He was a distinguished patron of the Turf, and when in 1889 he carried off the Oaks with the curiously named 'L'Abbesse de Jouarre the victory was immensely popular. Of the ups and downs of his political career it is not for me to speak; suffice here to say that his all-too-early demise deprived us of a fine sportsman. February claimed for its own a well-known and highly respected sporting journalist in W. F. Fuller—an expert critic and a racy writer. Mr. E. M. Hadow, a distinguished cricketer, whose services with the bat for Middlesex are not likely to be forgotten, died in this month; as well as E. Smith and George Wallace, both noted pedestrians. "Wallace, of Thornley Colliery," was a great sprinter in his day, and by his modest bearing, no less than by his large-heartedness, won the admiration of every collier in the North of England. Innumerable stories are told of his generosity in the heyday of his fame, which come as welcome as a ray of sunlight on a November day. George Jackson, of Barnsley, and Wallace were great rivals, both being equal to beating even time. March took from us the Rev. J. Pycroft (the old Sussex cricketer and pleasantest of gossipers on the game), and the Earl of Bessborough, still more famous in the world of cricket. Players of to-day probably do not know how much they really owe to the work and the influence of this grand old sportsman. Would that there were more of them. Another capable journalist, well known and highly respected in sporting circles, died in May, viz., Mr. W. E. Pradley, whilst the same month was marked with the death of the Duke of Hamilton. And so we go on with the loss of three splendid fellows in their respective spheres, T. R. Sutton, S. J. Gale, and "Alf" Greenfield, all of whom died in July. Two of these, "Tom" Sutton and Greenfield, I had the pleasure of meeting on several occasions, and strange as it may seem to put them together here, I feel quite sure that the late talented editor of the *Athletic News* would never have minded the apparently incongruous bracketing. Sutton was a rare man in athletics—none better. Genuine at the bottom, he had a splendid disregard for shams and counterfeits, let them come whence they might. He had been brought up in a good school, and not only knew right from wrong, but had the moral courage to let others know that he was able to discriminate between one and the other. Pseudo amateurs on the running path—and unfortunately they have never been and are not now scarce—generally went further afield when they knew that T. R. Sutton was in charge of the starts. Perhaps I may feel inclined to linger o'er the many fine qualities Sutton possessed. Be this as it may, I feel sure that in his own sphere he did as much as any man going to raise the tone of sport in general, and athletics in particular. At some future date it may be possible to refer again to this talented journalist whose death everyone deplored, but as I am desirous of skimming the year generally, I must hasten on. Alfred Greenfield was one of the same school as Fryer (recently referred to), a man who happened to be born a little too soon, perhaps. When Greenfield was at his best there were few good enough for him—everything, of course, being equal—and though in his declining days he attempted a prize fight before a none too favourable lot of "boys," and got a beating for his pains, there were those who held the opinion that with better seconding and better ring management Greenfield might have beaten Smith—probably one of the poorest class fighters in good company who ever aspired to a real championship.

ARE WE PROGRESSING?

This is a query that may well give us pause. Dr. Turner, that well-meaning but altogether impossible legislator of the Cyclists' Union, would say distinctly no. But before going on with that particular query, it occurs to me that something should be said of the rest of the heroes in the sporting world who have been called hence. These include, amongst other lesser lights, Dempsey, the pugilist; Mr. R. Lipscombe, the cricketer; Dr. Henry Grace, once a great figure in Gloucestershire, cricket; Mr. E. Weever, a celebrated trainer of racehorses; and George Freeman, popularly credited by contemporary cricketers as being the fastest bowler we have ever seen. Sufficient has perhaps now been said to show how sorely the ranks of sportsmen have been thinned, and one would fain express the hope that the Fates may be less cruel to us in the year we have just entered upon. For all these losses, however, there is much upon which we may congratulate ourselves. In the first place we find that in one of the noblest of our games England is still to the fore. The great cricket matches played in Australia between the seasons, as we understand them, saw our players emerge triumphantly from the fray, thanks in a great measure to the fine feeling and really admirable captaincy shown by Mr. A. E. Stoddart. No team visiting the far-off Antipodes during recent years have possessed a better leader—always cheerful and buoyant himself, he somehow managed to engender a feeling of self-reliance and confidence in every member of his side. Just for a time, perhaps, our supremacy was at stake, and people at home grew more than anxious over the result of the last big test match, but our men pulled us through magnificently. Others besides Mr. Stoddart came back with enhanced reputations, for A. C. Maclaren, J. T. Brown, and Richardson, the great Surrey bowler, all performed in wonderful fashion, the first-named by his many brilliant batting feats preparing the way for his mammoth record score of 424 for Lancashire against Somersetshire on July 16th last. Brown, the Yorkshire-man, also surpassed everything he had previously achieved, his glorious hitting just at the moment when it was most wanted demonstrating in the highest degree all those qualities for which Englishmen have always been famed, and which still commands the admiration of the world. No one I think will deny the game has made giant strides out there; they have a fine lot of young giants coming on to take the places vacated by the Bannermans, Murdoch, Massie, Bonnor, and the rest, and in Iredale, Darling, A. E. Trott, and Reedman we shall probably find foemen worthy of our steel for some years to come. But England is not standing still. By the time the first month's cricket had been played last year the world was astounded by the exceptional batting feats of that champion of champions, Dr. W. G. Grace, who played with all the freshness, all the skill, and all the vigour which have characterised his performances at the wicket during the last quarter of a century. Then came the wonderful score of Maclaren's already alluded to, which eclipsed everything before accomplished in first-class cricket, the record for a county score also being raised in the same match, Lancashire compiling 801 against Somersetshire! Not to be entirely overshadowed by the accomplished young Lancastrian, Dr. Grace continued to pile up centuries, and so captivated the hearts of his thousands of admirers that a public appeal for funds in aid of a national testimonial was responded to in the heartiest possible fashion. Another record feat was also accomplished by Capt. Oates and Private Fitzgerald, who, with 313 (not out) and 287 (not out) respectively, established new figures during their partnership, which now stand at 623! What a merry, merry time the bowlers and fielders must have had at the Curragh, where these scores were hit up last June. Pickett (Essex) and Tyler (Somersetshire) both accomplished the rare feat of taking all ten wickets in a single innings; and Richardson, probably one of the finest bowlers of this or any other age, had no fewer than 290 wickets to his credit in first-class cricket during the season, and this, too, after the punishing work he did on the hard Australian wickets. To most of the old-fashioned school it is always comforting to recall the doings of the good old days, but when it comes to deadliness of bowling, the palm, in my opinion, must go to the dashing young giant of Mitcham—Tom Richardson. With such satisfactory figures as I have here briefly quoted I think the query which heads this paragraph may be answered in the affirmative.

OTHER FIELDS.

Coming to other fields we find that it is impossible to speak in quite such glowing terms. On the Turf the classic events have been carried off by the most moderate of thoroughbreds, and were it not that promise of distinct improvement is observable in the '95 two-year-olds one would feel disposed to emphatically assert that here, at all events, we have gone backward. I wonder if there really is anything in the theory I quoted the other day about starting our thoroughbreds to race too early? In athletics we have been simply pulverised by our American cousins. By what means our humiliation has been brought about must be well known by this time. Carefully nursing and training a picked team, they swooped down upon us with an all-round challenge, and we on this side, rather than acknowledge our unpreparedness, went as lambs to the slaughter, and paid the inevitable penalty. What brooks it to know that the status of some of the American team was not above suspicion after our combination had been cut to ribbons! These facts should have been ascertained before the challenge was accepted. Only a little later, too, one of our famous 'Varsities went down before the all-conquering Yankees in almost the same ignominious fashion. These defeats, added to the fiasco of the *Defender* and *Valkyrie III.*, have simply sent our American cousins into hysterics, and never before in recent times has the "Bird o' Freedom" screeched so wildly or so bitterly. But the resources, either of our civilisation or our athleticism are not yet exhausted, and in the fulness of time we may hope, with becoming humility, to render an account of ourselves, whether for better or worse remains to be proved. Turning our attention for a moment to athletics on our own side of the Atlantic we find solace in the achievements of C. A. Bradley, A. R. Downer, F. E. Bacon, W. Fitzherbert, E. C. Bredin, Godfrey B. Shaw, and W. J. Sturgess. In the light of recent events what a pity it seems that a walking contest was not included in the American programme; we might at least have been spared a trifle of our humiliation, for everyone admits that Sturgess is one of the grandest walkers for style, for pace, and for stamina the world has ever seen. His superb achievements were in Christmas week, when he made new records for eleven and twelve miles under the most trying conditions. In addition to Sturgess, it would appear as if we had unearthed another champion in Knott, whose performances in the future are bound to create much interest. At jumping we have simply stood still, if the paradox will hold good, for C. B. Fry's wonderful leap of 23ft. 6½in. still holds pride of place as a world's record. Bradley's fourth consecutive victory in the 100 yards championship certainly deserves mention. Just as the sprinter keeps in front of his rivals on the running path, so Tyers manages to defeat all comers in swimming contests. A contest between this youthful phenomenon and Nuttall, the professional, would be extremely interesting, and there are hopes that having secured all the honours of the amateur world he may enter the ranks of the professionals in order to pit himself against the only man who can now be considered a rival.

FOOTBALL POLITICS.

The winter pastime does not lend itself quite so readily for purposes of comparison as some of our other pastimes, but 1895 has marked changes of more than passing moment. For a long number of years the Rugby Union has held sway over the thousands of devotees who follow the handling game, but to those with any knowledge of the inner workings of some of the biggest Northern organisations, it has been pretty evident that numerous officials have been chafing under the restrictions imposed by the parent body, and little by little the disaffection has spread, until we have seen a new and admittedly hostile organisation formed in the interests of players who require payment for the time professedly lost in order for them to indulge in their favourite pastime. How far the movement is likely to spread, and to what extent it may prove successful time alone can show. The Football Association continues the even tenour of its way, the only incident to disturb an unusually serene period being the loss of the English Challenge Cup—which fell after going through severe tribulations into the hands of cold-blooded burglars. What an end! Current events being somewhat out of place in this column, it is not my intention to refer to the coming struggles of this particular competition. There can be no question as to the wealth of players, but unfortunately we appear to lack capable referees, and this dearth of good men, I am sore afraid, often leads up to much of the disagreeableness our friends the enemy are so fond of calling attention to. Some of this, however, may be obviated in the near future by the dissemination of knowledge on the finer points of the game. A capital little pamphlet is about to be issued by, I think, the London Association of Referees, a "proof" copy of which has just come into my hands. In another letter I may refer to this again, for it is worthy of commendation in more ways than one. Hints to referees, hints to secretaries, and hints to players is a step in the right direction, and the game will be all the better, I fancy, for the hints given.

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The British steamer *Feiching*, from Shanghai 4th Feb., had strong N.E. monsoon and following sea and dark misty weather throughout.

COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE.

FRIDAY, 7th February.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

EXCHANGE.

ON LONDON.—
Telegraphic Transfer 2/1⅞
Bank Bills, on demand 2/1⅞
Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight ...... —
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Bank Bills, on demand 2.71
Credits, at 4 months' sight 2.76

ON GERMANY.—
On demand 2.20

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Bank Bills, on demand .... —
Credits, 60 days' sight .... —

ON BOMBAY.—
Telegraphic Transfer 183
Bank, on demand 183¼

ON CALCUTTA.—
Telegraphic Transfer 183
Bank, on demand 183¼

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On demand .... par.

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On demand .... 7 % pm.

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Hongkong & S'hai...	$125	181⅜ = $351.87½
China & Japan, prf.	£5	nominal
Do. ordinary	£1 10s.	nominal
Do. deferred	£1	£2, buyers
Nat'l. Bank of China		
B. Shares	£8	$27, sellers
Foun. Shares...	£1	$105, sellers
Bell's Asbestos E. A....	15s.	$10, sellers
Brown & Co., H. G. ...	$50	$5, sellers
Campbell, Moore & Co.	$10	$5, buyers
Carmichael & Co.	$20	$9, ex div.
China Sugar	$100	$111
Chinese Loan '86 E. ...	Tls. 250	10 p. ct. prem
Dakin, Cruicks'k & Co.	$5	$1
Dairy Farm Co.	$10	$9
Fenwick & Co., Geo. ...	$25	$21, sales & buyers
Green Island Cement...	$10	$14, sellers
H. & C. Bakery	$50	$36
Hongkong & C. Gas ...	£10	$100, buyers
Hongkong Electric ...	$8	$6.75, sellers
H. H. L. Tramways ...	$100	$84, sellers
Hongkong Hotel	$50	$21, sales & buyers
Hongkong Ice	$25	$97, ex div.
H. & K. Wharf & G...	$50	$40, sellers
Hongkong Rope........	$50	$150, sellers
H. & W. Dock	$125	149 p. ct. prem.= [$311.25, sales
Insurances—		
Canton...............	$50	$190, sellers
China Fire	$50	$90, sales
China Traders'	$25	$74, sellers
Hongkong Fire	$50	$287½, buyers
North-China	£25	Tls. 220, s. & sellers
Straits	$20	$25, sellers
Union	$25	$105, sellers
Yangtsze..............	$60	$121, sales & buyers
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H. Land Investment.	$50	$70, sales
Humphreys Estate...	$10	$9½, sellers
Kowloon Land & B.	$30	$15.25, ex div.
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Do. (Preference).	$1	$1.70
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Steamship Coys.—		
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H., Canton and M....	$20	$36.25, s. & sellers
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Per steamer *Dordogne*, sailed on the 4th February:—For Marseilles—150 cases cassia. For Havre—151 packages matting, 77 cases chinaware, and 15 packages sundries.

Per German steamer *Karlsruhe*, sailed on the 4th February:—For Colombo, 311 packages chinaware, 61 packages provisions, 20 pieces trunks, and 12 rolls matting. For Beyrouth—4 cases glass bangles. For Alexandria—2 cases glass bangles. For Suez—1 case silks. For Antwerp—5 bales tobacco, 1 case cigars, 10 bags coffee, 178 bales feathers, 30 bales bambooware, 12 cases teasticks, 125 cases preserves, 4 cases chinaware, 11 rolls matting, and 393 bales bamboo scraps. For Rotterdam, —85 packages ginger and 160 packages tea. For Amsterdam—55 cases chinaware, 30 casks ginger, 10 cases teasticks, and 1 case paperware. For St. Petersburg—30 cases effects. For Genoa—250 boxes cassia lignea, 60 rolls matting, and 180 bales canes. For Trieste—100 packages tea. For Antwerp/London—40 cases bristles. For London—2 rolls matting. For Bremen/Hamburg—18 rolls matting. For Hamburg—47 boxes essential oil, 4 packages private effects, 860 bales feathers, and 40 casks ginger. For Bremen—2 cases chocolate, 695 rolls matting, 8 cases curios, and 10 packages old ship stores.

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THE WEATHER.

CHINA COAST METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER, 6TH FEBRUARY, AT 4 P.M.

STATION.	Barometer red. to sea level and 32° Fahr.	Temperature.	Humidity.	Wind. Direction.	Wind. Force.	Weather.	Rain last 24 hours.
Wladivostock	—	—	—	—	—	—	...
Tokyo	—	—	—	—	—	—	...
Nagasaki	—	—	—	—	—	—	...
Shanghai	30.27	42	66	NE	3	o	...
Sharp Peak ...	30.19	48	89	NW	3	od	...
Amoy	30.14	55	94	N	1	or	...
Swatow	30.07	57	91	NE	2	og	...
Canton	30.10	52	93	—	0	od	...
Hongkong	30.04	57	87	ENE	4	o	...
Victoria Peak	—	—	—	ENE	5	—	...
Gap Rock	30.03	—	—	ENE	4	—	...
Macao	30.06	54	87	NW	1	od	...
Pakhoi	30.03	52	—	N	3	od	...
Haiphong	30.03	61	58	E	1	o	...
Bolinao	29.88	84	68	N	2	b	...
Manila	29.88	83	47	DSE	2	b	...
Cape S. James	—	—	—	NE	6	bm	...
7TH FEBRUARY, AT 10 A.M.							
Wladivostock.	—	—	—	—	—	—	...
Tokyo	—	—	—	—	—	—	...
Nagasaki	—	—	—	—	—	—	...
Shanghai	30.26	41	92	NE	3	o	...
Sharp Peak ...	30.10	52	90	NNW	3	od	...
Amoy	30.12	56	94	ENE	1	or	0.65
Swatow........	30.07	55	100	ENE	4	og	0.39
Canton	30.07	52	100	—	0	od	...
Hongkong	30.04	59	95	ENE	5	od	0.05
Victoria Peak.	—	—	—	SE	7	—	...
Gap Rock	30.03	—	—	ENE	4	—	...
Macao	30.05	57	88	NNW	2	od	...
Pakhoi	—	—	—	—	—	—	...
Haiphong	30.01	61	85	E	1	o	...
Bolinao	29.97	82	75	SE	2	b	...
Manila	30.00	84	64	ENE	1	c	...
Cape S. James.	—	—	—	NE	5	m	...

On the 7th at 11.10 a.m. Forecast:—Barometer unsteady fresh N.E. winds; unsettled, wet.

HONGKONG REGISTER.

	Previous day 4 p.m.	On date at 10 a.m.	On date at 4 p.m.
Barometer	30.14	30.04	29.95
Temperature	57	57	59
Humidity	87	95	95
Direction of wind ...	E.N.E.	E.N.E.	E.
Force	4	5	6
Weather	o.	od.	od.
Rain	—	0.05	—

Highest open air temperature on the 6th 59
Lowest open air temperature on the 5th 53

F. G. FIGG,
First Assistant.

Hongkong Observatory, 7th February, 1896.

MESSRS. FALCONER & CO.'S REGISTER, FEB. 7th.

Barometer 9 A.M.	30.01	Therm. 9 A.M. (Wet bulb)	60
Barometer 1 P.M.	29.98	Therm. 1 P.M. (Wet bulb)	60
Barometer 4 P.M.	29.91	Therm. 4 P.M. (Wet bulb)	61
Thermom. 9 A.M.	61	Therm. Maximum	62
Thermom. 1 P.M.	62	Therm. Minimum (over night)	61
Thermom. 4 P.M.	62		

HONGKONG TIDE-TABLE.

8th to 14th February.

Day of Week.	Day of Month.	High Water. Hongkong Mean Time.	High Water. Height.	Low Water. Hongkong Mean Time.	Low Water. Height.
		h m	ft. in.	h m	ft. in.
Sat.	8	m 6 18	1 6	m 8 0	1 6
		4 17 a	4 3		
Sun.	9	No inferior	high	m 0 30	—0 8
		5 28 a	4 7	nor low-	water.
Mon.	10	m 0 30	1 10	m 1 20	—1 1
		6 30 a	4 0	m 10 53	1 10
Tues.	11	m 0 36	2 11	m 2 15	—1 5
		7 24 a	4 11	0 10 a	1 8
Wed.	12	m 0 50	2 1	m 2 46	—1 6
		8 12 a	5 1	1 14 a	1 8
Thur.	13	m 10 7	2 2	m 3 15	—1 6
		8 53 a	5 1	2 0 a	1 2
Fri.	14	m 10 25	2 4	m 3 42	—1 5
		0 28 a	4 10	2 42 a	0 10

The height of mean sea-level has been determined, from the tidal observations of 1887 and 1888, as 5.87 feet above zero of the tide-gauge at the Kowloon Tidal Observatory; and the Lower-water Ordinary Spring-Tides, to which datum the heights in these Tables are referred, as 3.87 feet above zero. The heights in the Tables marked with a minus sign (—) are below Lower-water Ordinary Spring-Tides, and should be subtracted from the constant given above.

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A DOCTOR'S TESTIMONY.
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INTEREST on deposits is allowed at 3½ PER CENT. per annum.

Depositors may transfer at their option balances of $100 or more to the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANK to be placed on FIXED DEPOSIT at 4 PER CENT. per annum.

For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,
T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 1st August, 1895. [13

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RESERVE LIABILITY OF SHAREHOLDERS £800,000
RESERVE FUND £325,000

INTEREST allowed on Current Account at the rate of 2% per annum on the Daily balances
On Fixed Deposits for 12 months ... 4 per cent.
" " " 6 " ... 3½ "
" " " 3 " ... 2½ "

T. H. WHITEHEAD,
Manager, Hongkong.
Hongkong, 16th September, 1895. [16

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

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For 6 months, 3½ per Cent. per Annum.
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T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 24th December, 1895. [12

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA LIMITED.

AUTHORIZED CAPITAL .... £1,000,000.
SUBSCRIBED .... £ 500,000

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

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Hongkong, 17th November, 1893 [14

THE MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.

AUTHORIZED CAPITAL £1,500,000
SUBSCRIBED £1,125,000
PAID UP .... £ 562,500

BANKERS:
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INTEREST allowed on Current Accounts at the rate of 2% per annum on the Daily balance.
ON NEW FIXED DEPOSITS:—
For 12 months .... 4 %
" 6 " 3½%
" 3 " 2½%
DEPOSITS RENEWED ON OLD TERMS.
J. W. R. TAYLOR,
Manager, Hongkong.
Hongkong, 11th December, 1895. [15

JUST PUBLISHED.

DEMY OCTAVO, pp. 248 Price, $2.50.

WARLIKE EXPLOITS OF THE MERCHANT NAVY, by J. FETHERSTONHAUGH.
Published at the HONGKONG DAILY PRESS Office, and to be had from all Booksellers.
Hongkong, 21st December, 1894. [3622

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Hongkong, 6th June, 1894. [1184

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Hongkong, 20th July 1895. [1689

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Hongkong, 27th January, 1896. [38

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AT REDUCED PRICES.
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Hongkong, 21st January, 1896. [259

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The above Company is prepared to Accept MARINE RISKS at Current Rates on Goods, &c. Policies granted to all parts of the World payable at any of its AGENCIES.
CHAN HE-WAN,
Secretary.
HEAD OFFICE:
No. 42, BONHAM STRAND WEST.
Hongkong, 23rd August, 1895. [2424

SOUTH BRITISH FIRE AND MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY.

MESSRS. ARNHOLD, KARBERG & CO. have This Day been appointed SUB-AGENTS of the above Company.
1st January, 1896.
S. J. DAVID & CO.,
Agents, Hongkong

With reference to the above we are prepared to accept FIRE and MARINE RISKS at Current Rates.
ARNHOLD, KARBERG & CO.,
Sub-Agents. [162

PHŒNIX FIRE OFFICE.

The Undersigned are now prepared to GRANT POLICIES of INSURANCE against FIRE at Current Rates.
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & CO.,
Agents for the Phœnix Fire Office.
Hongkong, 17th August, 1887. [20

THE MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE COMPANY.

ESTABLISHED A.D. 1824.

CAPITAL £2,000,000
TOTAL FUNDS AND SECURITY £2,480,053
NET ANNUAL FIRE PREMIA .... £ 757,478

Having been appointed Agents of the above Company we are prepared to accept EUROPEAN and CHINESE RISKS at current rates.
HOLLIDAY, WISE & CO.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 9th January, 1896. [84

NORTH BRITISH AND MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.

TOTAL FUNDS AT 31ST DECEMBER, 1894, £11,671,018 2s. 2d.

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I.—AUTHORISED CAPITAL...£3,000,000		
SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL... 2,750,000		
PAID-UP CAPITAL		687,500 0 0
II.—FIRE FUNDS....................		2,410,992 7 3

The Undersigned having been appointed AGENTS for the above Company are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates.
SHEWAN & CO.,
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Hongkong, 13th July, 1895. [1360

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LIFE RATES 20 % LOWER than those charged by most Companies.
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Agent.
Hongkong, 18th June, 1894. [1276

NORTH GERMAN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HAMBURG.

The Undersigned AGENTS of the above Company are PREPARED TO ACCEPT First Class Foreign and Chinese Risks at Current Rates.
SIEMSSEN & CO.
Hongkong, 29th May, 1895. [19

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SIEMSSEN & CO.,
Agents
Hongkong, 16th May, 1892 [18

TRANSATLANTIC FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HAMBURG.

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Hongkong, 16th November, 1872 [17

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Mr. W. W. BREWER.
Hongkong, 2nd June, 1894 [1119

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$30............per case of 1 dozen quarts.
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Hongkong, 1st February, 1896. [31

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SOLE AGENTS FOR CHINA AND JAPAN.
E. RICCO & CO.,
Hongkong.
Hongkong, 12th September, 1895. [2673—39

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Apply to
THE MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHA,
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Hongkong, 30th December, 1895. [2263

VESSELS EXPECTED.

THE ENGLISH MAIL.

The P. & O. steamer *Mirzapore*, with the English mail of the 10th January, left Singapore on Tuesday, the 4th inst., at 1 p.m., and may be expected here on or about Monday, the 10th inst. This Packet brings replies to letters despatched from Hongkong on the 5th December.

THE GERMAN MAIL.

The N. D. L. steamer *Prinz Heinrich*, with the German mail of 13th January, left Singapore on Thursday, the 6th inst., and may be expected here on or about Monday, the 10th inst.

THE INDIAN MAIL.

The steamer *Catherine Apcar*, from Calcutta, left Singapore for this port on the afternoon of the 4th inst.

THE AMERICAN MAIL.

The O. & O. chartered steamer *Afridi*, with the American mail, left San Francisco for this port via Yokohama and Nagasaki on the 11th ult.

The P. M. steamer *Peru*, with the American mail, left San Francisco for this port via Yokohama and Nagasaki on the 18th ult.

The O. & O. steamer *Coptic*, with the American mail, left San Francisco for this port via Honolulu, Yokohama, and Nagasaki on the 28th ult.

THE CANADIAN MAIL.

The C. P. steamer *Empress of Japan* left Vancouver for Hongkong on the 4th inst.

MERCHANT STEAMERS.

The steamer *Radnorshire* left Singapore on the 2nd inst., and is due here on or about the 9th inst.

The D. D. R. steamer *Senta*, from Hamburg, left Singapore for this port on the 2nd inst., and may be expected here on or about the 10th inst.

The O. S. S. Co.'s steamer *Nestor*, from New York, Glasgow, and Liverpool, left Singapore on the morning of the 6th inst., and may be expected here on or about the 12th inst.

The China Mutual steamer *Oolong*, from Glasgow, Liverpool, and Newport, left Singapore for this port on the morning of the 6th inst., and may be expected here on or about the 13th inst.

The P. & O. steamer *Rohilla* left Singapore for this port on the 3rd inst., at 10 a.m.

The Austrian Lloyd's steamer *Maria Teresa* left Singapore for this port on the afternoon of the 5th inst.

POST-OFFICE NOTICE.

PEAK DELIVERY closes at Post Office at 11.30 a.m. and 3 p.m. or in Letter Boxes in the Cars by 12 and 3.30 o'clock Trams. Letter Boxes at Peak will be cleared at 12.30 and 4 p.m.

The Postal Guide for 1895, revised to date, will be found in the *Chronicle and Directory*, P. XX. This is the only authorised complete Summary of Postal information published in Hongkong.

A MAIL WILL CLOSE

For Bangkok.—Per *P. C. C. Kiao*, to-day, the 8th inst., at 9.30 A.M.

For Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, and Yokohama.—Per *Bombay*, to-day, the 8th inst., at 11.30 A.M.

For Haiphong.—Per *Hongkong*, to-day, the 8th inst., at 11.30 A.M.

For Singapore and Penang.—Per *Propontis* to-day, the 8th inst., at 2.30 P.M.

For Shanghai.—Per *Kashing*, to-day, the 8th inst., at 2.30 P.M.

For Shanghai.—Per *Fushun*, to-day, the 8th inst., at 3.30 P.M.

For Saigon.—Per *Adowa*, to-morrow, the 9th inst., at 9.00 A.M.

For Singapore.—Per *Merionethshire*, on Monday, the 10th inst., at 11.30 A.M.

For Singapore, Penang, and Calcutta.—Per *Kutsang*, on Monday, the 10th inst., at 2.30 P.M.

For Shanghai.—Per *Paoting*, on Monday, the 10th inst., at 2.30 P.M.

For Sourabaya.—Per *Strathdon*, on Monday, the 10th inst., 5.00 P.M.

For Shanghai.—Per *Peiyang*, on Tuesday, the 11th inst., at 3.30 P.M.

For Singapore.—Per *Glenesk*, on Tuesday, the 11th inst., at 3.30 P.M.

MAILS BY THE UNITED STATES PACKET.

The United States Mail Packet *China* will be despatched on SATURDAY, the 8th February, with Mails for Japan, San Francisco, the United States, Canada, Honolulu, Peru, &c., which will be closed as follows:—
11.00 A.M. Registry ceases.
11.30 A.M. Post Office closes, but correspondence may be posted on board the Packet with Late Fee of 10 cents extra Postage until the time of departure.

MAILS BY THE BRITISH PACKET.

The British Contract Packet *Pekin* will be despatched on THURSDAY, the 13th February, with Mails for the United Kingdom, Europe, and countries beyond, *via Brindisi*; to the Straits Settlements, Netherlands India, Burmah, Ceylon, Aden, Egypt, Malta, and Gibraltar. The usual hours will be observed in closing the mails, &c.

HOURS OF CLOSING THE ENGLISH AND FRENCH MAILS.

When the Packets leave at Noon.

The following hours will be observed in closing the mails for Europe, &c., by the English and French Packets, when they leave at Noon. The Money Order Office will be closed at 5 P.M. the day before.
8.00 A.M.—Posting of Prices Current and Circulars ceases.
(Prices Current and Circulars may, however, be posted up to 10 o'clock if they are tied in bundles country by country, with the addresses all one way.)
10.00 A.M.—Registry ceases.
10.30 A.M.—Posting of newspapers, books, and patterns ceases.
11.00 A.M.—Mail closes.
LATE LETTERS may be posted (from 11.10 A.M.) with 10 cents late fee up to 11.30 A.M., after which hour they may be sent on board with the same late fee.

MAILS BY THE CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY CO.'S PACKET.

The Canadian Mail Packet *Empress of India* will be despatched on WEDNESDAY, the 19th February, with Mails for Shanghai, Japan, the United States, Canada, &c., which will be closed as follows:—
10.00 A.M. Registry ceases.
11.00 A.M. Post Office closes, but correspondence may be posted on board the Packet with the Late Fee of 10 cents extra postage until time of departure.

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CABINET-MAKER AND ART DECORATOR.
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The only Shop in Hongkong with this name, Where HIGH-CLASS FURNITURE of every description can be made to order in any design required.
Has been patronised by the Hongkong Club, Hongkong Hotel, Messrs. A. S. Watson & Co., Limited, and other leading Establishments in the Colony, to whom reference may be made as to the Superior Workmanship and Materials of the Furniture, &c., supplied.
Messrs. A. S. Watson & Co. write as follows:—
"We have pleasure in stating that Mr. LI KWONG LOONG furnished the Annexe to our Dispensary and gave us every satisfaction.
(Sd.) "A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED,"
ORDERS punctually attended to and CHARGES most moderate.
AN INSPECTION INVITED.
Hongkong, 4th February, 1895. [387

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ISER, Brit. str., Burgoyne—Dodwell, Carlill & Co.
KONG ALF, Norw. str., Thun—Order.
MOUNT LEBANON, Brit. str., McLean—Shewan & Co.
OSCARSHAL, Ger. str., Reichborn—Chinese.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG, AND SINGAPORE.

THE Company's Steamship

"KUTSANG"

having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their goods will be delivered from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge or remaining on board after 4 P.M. of the 5th inst. will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense into Godowns at East Point.

No Fire Insurance will be effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., General Managers.

Hongkong, 1st February, 1896. [361

"BEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

S.S. "BENMOHR," FROM LEITH, ANTWERP, AND LONDON.

Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that all goods are being landed at their risk into the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns, whence and/or from the Wharves delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all goods remaining undelivered after the 7th inst. will be subject to rent.

All claims against the steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 10th inst., or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 6th instant, at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 1st February, 1896. [362

STEAMSHIP "MELBOURNE."

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo from London ex S.S. *Tigre*, from Havre ex S.S. *Tigre*, from Bordeaux ex S.S. *Frederic Morel* in connection with above Steamer, are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure, and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risks into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, at Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless intimation is received from the Consignees before 8 A.M., SUNDAY, the 2nd inst., requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned.

Goods remaining unclaimed after SATURDAY, the 8th inst., at Noon, will be subject to rent and landing charges.

All Claims must be sent in to me on or before SATURDAY, the 8th inst., or they will not be recognised.

All Damaged Packages will be examined on FRIDAY, the 7th inst., at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

C. TOURNAIRE, Acting Agent.

Hongkong, 1st February, 1896. [2

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

CONSIGNEES per Company's Steamer

"TANTALUS"

are hereby notified that the Cargo is being discharged into Craft, and/or landed at the Godowns of the Undersigned; in both cases it will lie at Consignees' risk. The Cargo will be ready for delivery from Craft or Godown on and after the 4th inst.

Goods undelivered after the 10th inst. will be subject to rent. All damaged Goods must be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined at 11 A.M. on the 11th inst.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

Hongkong, 3rd February, 1896. [354

"PINILLOS" LINE OF STEAM PACKETS.

FROM GLASGOW, LIVERPOOL, ANTWERP, BARCELONA, CADIZ, AND MANILA.

THE Steamship

"BARCELONA"

having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, at Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

Cargo remaining undelivered after the 9th inst. will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Consignees are requested to present all claims for damages and/or shortages not later than the 10th inst., otherwise they will not be recognised.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 3rd February, 1896. [371

"GLEN" LINE OF STEAM PACKETS.

FROM ANTWERP, LONDON, AND STRAITS.

THE Company's Steamship

"GLENAVON"

having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Limited, at Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before NOON TO-MORROW.

Cargo remaining undelivered after the 10th inst. will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Consignees are requested to present all claims for damages and/or shortages not later than the 17th inst., otherwise they will not be recognised.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 3rd February, 1896. [385

"MOGUL" LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

S.S. "SIKH," FROM GLASGOW, LIVERPOOL, AND STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, at Kowloon, whence and/or from the Wharves delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before NOON, TO-MORROW.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 11th instant will be subject to rent.

All claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 11th inst., or they will be not recognised.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 11th instant, at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

DODWELL, CARLILL & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 5th February, 1896. [333

NORTHERN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMSHIP "VICTORIA." FROM TACOMA, VICTORIA, YOKOHAMA, AND KOBE.

THE above Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at consignees' risk and expense.

DODWELL, CARLILL & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 4th February, 1896. [9

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

CONSIGNEES per Company's Steamer

"IXION"

are hereby notified that the Cargo is being discharged into Craft, and/or landed at the Godowns of the Undersigned; in both cases it will lie at Consignees' risk. The Cargo will be ready for delivery from Craft or Godown on and after the 7th inst.

Goods undelivered after the 14th inst. will be subject to rent. All damaged Goods must be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined at 11 a.m. on the 15th inst.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

Hongkong, 6th February, 1896. [383

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship

"BOMBAY," FROM ANTWERP, LONDON, AND STRAITS.

Consignees of Cargo by the above-named vessel are hereby informed that their goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as the goods are landed.

This vessel brings on Cargo:—

From Madras ex s.s. *Sirsa*.

Optional goods will be landed here unless instructions are given to the contrary before 10 A.M. TO-MORROW.

Goods not cleared by the 13th inst. at 4 P.M. will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.

All damaged packages must be left in the Godowns and notice of same given to the undersigned on or before the 15th inst., after which no claims will be recognised.

A. WOOLLEY, Acting Superintendent.

Hongkong, 6th February, 1896. [1

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM SHANGHAI AND KOBE.

THE Steamship

"GISELA"

having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Limited, whence delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all claims must be sent in to the undersigned before NOON on the 12th instant, or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance has been effected, and any Goods remaining in the Godowns after the 12th instant will be subject to rent.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

SANDER & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 7th February, 1896. [5

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SINGAPORE, SAMARANG, AND SOURABAYA.

THE Steamship

"SHANTUNG,"

Captain Frampton, will be despatched on MONDAY, the 10th Feb.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, 31st January, 1896. [342

"SHIRE" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR LONDON, HAMBURG, AND ANTWERP.

THE Steamship

"MERIONETHSHIRE,"

Captain Davies, will be despatched for the above ports on MONDAY, the 10th inst., at 3 P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DODWELL, CARLILL & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 6th February, 1896. [2886

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

NOTICE.

STEAM TO SHANGHAI.

THE Company's Steamship

"PRINZ HEINRICH,"

Captain W. Schmolder, due here with the outward German Mail about the 10th inst., will leave for the above place about 24 hours after arrival.

For Further Particulars, apply to

MELCHERS & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 7th February, 1896. [7

"SHIRE" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR NAGASAKI, KOBE, AND YOKOHAMA.

THE Steamship

"RADNORSHIRE,"

Captain Davies, R.N.R., will be despatched as above on or about TUESDAY, the 11th inst.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DODWELL, CARLILL & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 4th February, 1896. [384

"GLEN" LINE OF STEAM PACKETS.

FOR MARSEILLES AND LONDON.

THE Steamship

"GLENESK,"

Captain Webster, will be despatched as above on TUESDAY, the 11th inst., at 4 P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 5th February, 1896. [395

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

NOTICE.

STEAM TO YOKOHAMA, KOBE, AND NAGASAKI.

(Passing through the INLAND SEA).

THE Company's Steamship

"HOHENZOLLERN,"

Captain P. Wettin, will leave for the above ports on or about TUESDAY, the 11th inst.

For Further Particulars, apply to

MELCHERS & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 7th February, 1896. [7

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADEN, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN PORTS, PLYMOUTH, AND LONDON.

THROUGH BILLS OF LADING ISSUED FOR BATAVIA, PERSIAN GULF, CONTINENTAL AND AMERICAN PORTS.

THE Steamship

"PEKIN,"

Captain J. F. Jephson, carrying Her Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this for BOMBAY, &c., on THURSDAY, the 13th FEBRUARY, at NOON, taking Passengers and Cargo for the above Ports. This steamer connects at BOMBAY with the S.S. "SHANNON," which Vessel takes on her Cargo for LONDON via SUEZ CANAL, leaving that port on the 7th MARCH.

Silk and Valuables, all Cargo for France, and Tea for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into a steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London; other cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed via Bombay without transhipment.

Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 P.M. the day before sailing. The Contents and Value of all Packages are required.

Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's Bills of Lading.

For further Particulars, apply to

ALF. WOOLLEY, Acting Superintendent

Hongkong, 1st February, 1896. [1

VESSELS ADVERTISED AS LOADING.

DESTINATION.	VESSEL'S NAME.	FLAG & RIG.	CAPTAIN.	FOR FREIGHT APPLY TO	TO BE DESPATCHED.
LONDON, &c.	Pekin	Brit. str.	Jephson	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On 13th inst., at Noon.
LONDON via SUEZ CANAL	Pyrrhus	Brit. str.	Batt	Butterfield & Swire	On 12th inst.
LONDON	Borneo	Brit. str.		P. & O. S. N. Co.	On or about 5th March.
LONDON, HAMBURG & ANTWERP	Merionethshire	Brit. str.	Davies	Dodwell, Carlill & Co.	On 10th inst., at 3 P.M.
LONDON & HAMBURG	Nerite	Brit. str.	Daniel	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	On or about 22nd inst.
HAVRE & H'BURG via S'PORE	Oceana	Ger. str.	Formes	Siemssen & Co.	On or about 3rd Mar.
HAVRE, B'MEN, & H'BURG v S'PORE	Dorothea Rickmers	Ger. str.		Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	March.
BREMEN & PORTS OF CALL	Prinz Heinrich	Ger. str.	Schmolder	Melchers & Co.	On 3rd Mar., at 9 A.M.
MARSEILLES & LONDON	Glenesk	Brit. str.	Webster	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	On 11th inst., at 4 P.M.
MARSEILLES via SAIGON &c.	Caledonien	Fren. str.	Blanc	Messageries Maritimes	On 19th inst., at 10 A.M.
VANCOUVER, via S'HAI, &c.	Empress of India	Brit. str.	Pybus, R.N.R.	Canadian Pacific R. Co.	On 19th inst., at Noon.
VICTORIA, B.C., &c., v. Y'HAMA	Victoria	Brit. str.	Panton, R.N.R.	Dodwell, Carlill & Co.	On 10th inst., at 10 A.M.
HONOLULU, VICTORIA, B.C., &c.	Mount Lebanon	Brit. str.		Shewan & Co.	On 12th inst.
SAN FRANCISCO via Y'HAMA	Coptic	Brit. str.		O. & O. S. S. Co.	On 3rd March, at Noon.
SAN FRANCISCO via Y'HAMA	China	Amer. str.		P. M. S. S. Co.	To-day, at Noon.
SAN FRANCISCO	Brodick Castle	Brit. ship	Fergusson	Shewan & Co.	Quick despatch.
SAN FRANCISCO	Formosa	Brit. ship	Ohrloff	Melchers & Co.	Quick despatch.
NEW YORK via SUEZ CANAL	Port Adelaide	Brit. str.		Dodwell, Carlill & Co.	On or about 21st inst.
NEW YORK	Daniel Barnes	Amer. sh.	Arpe	Carlowitz & Co.	On 13th inst.
SYDNEY, MELBOURNE, &c.	Taiyuan	Brit. str.	Nelson	Butterfield & Swire	On 18th inst., at 3 P.M.
STRAITS & CALCUTTA	Kutsang	Brit. str.	Payne	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	On 10th inst., at 3 P.M.
STRAITS & BOMBAY	Rohilla	Brit. str.		P. & O. S. N. Co.	On 18th inst., at Noon.
SINGAPORE, S'RANG & S'BAYA	Shangtung	Brit. str.	Frampton	Butterfield & Swire	On 10th inst.
YOKOHAMA, via N'SAKI & KOBE	Ancona	Brit. str.		P. & O. S. N. Co.	On or about 10th inst.
Y'HAMA, v. S'HAI, N'SAKI & KOBE	Bombay	Brit. str.		P. & O. S. N. Co.	To-day, at Noon.
YOKOHAMA, KOBE, & NAGASAKI	Hohenzollern	Ger. str.	Wettin	Melchers & Co.	On or about 11th inst.
NAGASAKI, KOBE & Y'HAMA	Radnorshire	Brit. str.	Davies, R.N.R.	Dowell, Carlill & Co.	On 11th inst.
SHANGHAI & KOBE	Maria Teresa	Aust. str.		Sander & Co.	On or about 13th inst.
SHANGHAI	Mirzapore	Brit. str.		P. & O. S. N. Co.	On or about 10th inst.
SHANGHAI	Prinz Heinrich	Ger. str.	Schmolder	Melchers & Co.	Quick despatch.
SHANGHAI	Kashing	Brit. str.	Hopkins	Butterfield & Swire	To-day, at 3 P.M.
SHANGHAI	Paoting	Brit. str.	Gyles	Butterfield & Swire	On 10th inst., at 3 P.M.
SHANGHAI	Poiyang	Ger. str.	Th. Lehmann	Siemssen & Co.	On 11th inst., at 4 P.M.

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY COYS.'

ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIP LINE.

THE FAST ROUTE BETWEEN CHINA, JAPAN AND EUROPE, VIA CANADA AND THE UNITED STATES.

CALLING AT SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA AND VICTORIA, B.C.

SAFETY. SPEED. PUNCTUALITY.

Twin Screw Steamships—6,000 Tons—10,000 Horse-Power—Speed 1[illegible] knots

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)

EMPRESS OF INDIA....Comdr. H. Pybus, R.N.R. ....WEDNESDAY, 19th Feb., 1896

EMPRESS OF JAPAN....Comdr. Geo. A. Lee, R.N.R. ......WEDNESDAY, 18th March, 1896

EMPRESS OF CHINA....Comdr. R. Archibald, R.N.R. .....WEDNESDAY, 8th April, 1896

THE magnificent Steamships of this Line pass through the famous INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and usually make the voyage YOKOHAMA TO VANCOUVER (B.C.) in 12 DAYS, making close connection at Vancouver with the PALATIAL TRANS-CONTINENTAL TRAINS of the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY leaving there daily, and cross the Continent FROM THE PACIFIC TO THE ATLANTIC WITHOUT CHANGE. Close connection is made at Montreal, Quebec, Halifax, New York and Boston with all Trans-Atlantic Lines, which passengers to Great Britain and the Continent are given choice of.

Passengers Booked through to all principal points and AROUND THE WORLD. Return tickets to various points at reduced rates, Good for 4, 6, 9, and 12 months.

SPECIAL RATES (First class only) granted to Missionaries, Members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Services, and to European Officials in the Service of China and Japan Governments.

CIRCULAR PACIFIC TICKETS Hongkong to Vancouver, Vancouver to Sydney, Australia, via Honolulu, and Sydney to Hongkong via Brisbane and Torres Straits, Good for 9 months, £100.

The attractive features of this Company's route embraces its PALATIAL STEAMSHIPS (second to none in the World), the LUXURIANCE OF ITS TRANS-CONTINENTAL TRAINS (the Company having received the highest award for same at recent Chicago World's Exhibition), and the diversity of MAGNIFICENT MOUNTAIN AND LAKE SCENERY through which the Line passes.

THE DINING CARS and MOUNTAIN HOTELS of this route are owned and operated by the Company, and their appointments and Cuisine are unexcelled.

For further information, Maps, Guide Books, Rates of Passage, &c., apply to

D. E. BROWN, General Agent, Pedder Street.

Hongkong, 23rd January, 1895. [8

PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL

STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL ON	REMARKS.
Y'HAMA v. S'HAI, N'SAKI & KOBE	BOMBAY	Noon, 8th Feb.	Freight or Passage. (Passing through the INLAND SEA.)
Y'HAMA, VIA N'SAKI & KOBE	ANCONA	About 10th Feb.	Freight or Passage. (Passing through the INLAND SEA.)
SHANGHAI	MIRZAPORE	About 10th Feb.	Freight or Passage.
LONDON, &c.	PEKIN	Noon, 13th Feb.	See Special Advertisement.
THE STRAITS PORTS and B'BAY	ROHILLA	Noon, 18th Feb.	Freight or Passage. (Calling at COLOMBO, if sufficient inducement offers.) This vessel will convey passengers for LONDON, &c., transferring to s.s. *Palawan*, proceeding direct from Singapore.
LONDON	BORNEO	About 5th March	Freight or Passage.

For Further Particulars, apply to

ALF. WOOLLEY, Acting Superintendent.

Hongkong, 8th February, 1896.

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG, AND CALCUTTA.

THE Company's Steamship

"KUTSANG,"

Captain Geo. Payne, will be despatched as above on MONDAY, the 10th inst., at 3 P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., General Managers.

Hongkong, 4th February, 1896. [399

OREGON RAILWAY AND NAVIGATION COMPANY'S PACIFIC STEAMSHIP LINE.

CHINA AND JAPAN.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG, 1896. (*Subject to Alteration.*)

MOUNT LEBANON | Wednesday ... | 12th Feb.

TAKING PASSENGERS AND CARGO FOR UNITED STATES AND CANADA AT THROUGH RATES.

THE Steamship

"MOUNT LEBANON"

will be despatched hence for HONOLULU, VICTORIA, B.C., and PORTLAND, OREGON, via KOBE and YOKOHAMA, on the 12th February.

Consular Invoices of Goods for United States Points should be in QUADRUPLICATE, and one Copy must be sent forward by the Steamer to the care of the GENERAL FREIGHT AGENT, Oregon Railway and Navigation Co., Portland, Oregon.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to

SHEWAN & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 28th January, 1896. [315

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

(UNDER MAIL CONTRACT WITH THE AUSTRIAN GOVERNMENT).

STEAM TO SHANGHAI AND KOBE.

THE Company's Steamship

"MARIA TERESA"

will leave for the above places on or about THURSDAY, the 13th inst.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

SANDER & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 6th February, 1896. [5

"SHELL" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR LONDON AND HAMBURG.

THE Company's Steamship

"NERITE,"

Captain W. Daniel, will be despatched as above on or about SATURDAY, the 22nd inst.

To be followed by the Company's Steamship

"SPONDILUS,"

which will be despatched for the above destination on THURSDAY, the 27th instant.

For Freight, apply to

ARNHOLD, KARBERG & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 6th February, 1896. [404

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

THE 100 A1 British Ship

"BRODICK CASTLE,"

Ferguson, Master, will load here for the above port and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to

SHEWAN & CO.

Hongkong, 6th December, 1895. [50

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR PORT DARWIN, QUEENSLAND PORTS, SYDNEY, AND MELBOURNE.

THE Company's Steamship

"TAIYUAN,"

Captain R. Nelson, will be despatched on TUESDAY, the 18th inst., at 3 P.M.

The attention of Passengers is directed to the Superior Accommodation offered by this Steamer. First Class Saloon is situated forward of the Engines. A Refrigerating Chamber ensures the supply of Fresh Provisions during the entire voyage.

A duly qualified Surgeon is carried and the Vessel is fitted throughout with Electric Light.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, 5th February, 1896. [402

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

NOTICE.

STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, NAPLES, GENOA, ANTWERP, BREMEN, AND HAMBURG, PORTS IN THE LEVANTE, BLACK SEA AND BALTIC PORTS;

ALSO,

LONDON, NEW YORK, BOSTON, BALTIMORE, NEW ORLEANS, GALVESTON, AND SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS.

THE COMPANY'S STEAMERS WILL CALL AT SOUTHAMPTON TO LAND PASSENGERS AND LUGGAGE.

N.B.—CARGO CAN BE TAKEN ON THROUGH BILLS OF LADING FOR THE PRINCIPAL PLACES IN RUSSIA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).

PRINZ HEINRICH	Tuesday	3rd Mar.
PREUSSEN	Tuesday	31st Mar.
SACHSEN	Tuesday	28th Apr.
KARLSRUHE	Tuesday	26th May
PRINZ HEINRICH	Tuesday	20th June.

ON TUESDAY, the 3rd day of March, 1896, at 9 A.M., the Company's Steamship "PRINZ HEINRICH," Captain W. Schmolder, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and CARGO, will leave this Port as above, CALLING at NAPLES and GENOA.

Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon on SATURDAY, the 29th February, Cargo and Specie will be received on Board until 5 P.M. on MONDAY, the 2nd March, and Parcels will be received at the Agency's Office until NOON, on MONDAY, the 2nd March. Contents of Packages are required. No Parcel Receipts will be signed at less than $2.50 and Parcels should not exceed Two Feet Cubic in Measurement.

The Steamer has splendid accommodation and carries a Doctor and a Stewardess.

Linen can be washed on board.

For further Particulars, apply to

MELCHERS & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 7th February, 1896. [7

FOR NEW YORK.

THE 3/3 L.I.I. American Ship

"DANIEL BARNES,"

Arpe, Master, will load here for the above port and will be despatched on the 13th February.

For Freight, apply to

CARLOWITZ & CO.

Hongkong, 30th January, 1896. [74

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

NORTHERN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP AND RAILROAD COMPANIES.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN.

THE attention of passengers is directed to the very cheap rates offered by this Line to the PACIFIC COAST and to the INTERIOR and EASTERN CITIES of the UNITED STATES and CANADA and to EUROPE.

HONGKONG TO LONDON $400.

Excellent accommodation. First class Table. DOCTOR and STEWARDESS carried.

HONGKONG TO NEW YORK $350.

The Railroad travelling is second to none on the American Continent. Magnificent Scenery of the ROCKY and CASCADE MOUNTAINS. The YELLOWSTONE NATIONAL PARK route. Passengers to EUROPE may proceed by one of the first class ATLANTIC MAIL LINES.

HONGKONG TO TACOMA $225.

Rates of Passage to other Points on application.

Special rates allowed to members of Government Services.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

(*Subject to Alteration*).

VICTORIA	3,167	Monday ...	Feb. 10.
HANKOW	3,594	Tuesday ...	Mar. 10.
TACOMA	2,549	Tuesday ...	Apr. 7.
VICTORIA	3,167	Tuesday ...	May 5.

THE Steamship

"VICTORIA,"

Captain J. Panton, R.N.R., sailing at 10 A.M. on MONDAY, the 10th February, will proceed to AMOY, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, VICTORIA, B.C., and TACOMA, Wash.

Through Bills of Lading issued to Japan, Pacific Coast Points, and to Canadian and United States Points.

Consular Invoices of Goods for United States Points should be in quadruplicate, and *one copy must be sent forward by the steamer to the care* of the Freight Agent, Northern Pacific Railroad, Tacoma, Wash.

Parcels must be sent to our Office (with address marked in full) by 5 P.M. on the day previous to sailing.

For further information as to Passage or Freight, apply to

DODWELL, CARLILL & CO., General Agents.

Hongkong, 7th February, 1896. [9

OCCIDENTAL AND ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS TO JAPAN, THE UNITED STATES, MEXICO, CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA, AND EUROPE, VIA THE OVERLAND RAILWAYS AND ATLANTIC AND OTHER CONNECTING STEAMERS.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

COPTIC (via Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, and Yokohama)	TUESDAY, March 3, 1896, at NOON.
GAELIC (via Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama, and Honolulu)	SATURDAY, March 21, 1896, at NOON.
BELGIC (via Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, and Yokohama)	WEDNESDAY, April 8, 1896, at NOON.

THE Company's Steamship "COPTIC" will be dispatched for SAN FRANCISCO, *via* NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, and YOKOHAMA, on TUESDAY, the 3rd MARCH, 1896, at NOON, connection being made at Yokohama with Steamers from Shanghai.

Steamers of this line pass through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN and call at HONOLULU and passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point *en route*.

Through Passenger Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada. Rates and particulars of the various Routes may be obtained upon application.

Special rates (first class only) are granted to Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Services, to European officials in service of China and Japan, and to Government officials and their families.

Passengers who have paid full fare, re-embarking at San Francisco for China or Japan (or *vice versa*) within one year, will be allowed discount of 10 per cent. *This allowance does not apply to through fares from China and Japan to Europe.*

ALL PARCEL PACKAGES should be marked to address in full; and same will be received at the Company's Office until FIVE P.M. the day previous to sailing.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to points beyond San Francisco in the United States should be sent to the Company's Offices, addressed to the Collector of Customs, San Francisco.

For further information as to Freight or Passage apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 7, Praya Central.

J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent.

Hongkong, 4th February, 1896. [4

FOR SINGAPORE, HAVRE, AND HAMBURG.

(Calling at NAPLES for landing Passengers if sufficient inducement offers.)

(Taking Cargo at through rates to ANTWERP, AMSTERDAM, ROTTERDAM, LISBON, OPORTO, LONDON, LIVERPOOL, and BREMEN.)

THE Steamship

"OCEANA,"

Captain H. Formes, will be despatched for the above Ports on or about TUESDAY, the 3rd March.

This steamer has superior accommodation for First and Second Class Passengers and carries a Doctor and a Stewardess.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

SIEMSSEN & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 3rd February, 1896. [368

VESSELS ON THE BERTH.

U.S. MAIL LINE.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

CHINA (via Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama, and Honolulu)	SATURDAY, Feb. 8, 1896, at NOON.
PERU (via Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, and Yokohama)	SATURDAY, Feb. 22, 1896, at NOON.
CITY OF RIO DE JANEIRO (via Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, and Yokohama.)	THURSDAY, March 12, 1896, at NOON.

THE U. S. Mail Steamship "CHINA" will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, VIA NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA, and HONOLULU on SATURDAY, the 8th FEBRUARY, 1896, at NOON, taking Passengers and Freight for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

Steamers of this line pass through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and call at HONOLULU, and passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point *en route*.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada. Rates may be obtained on application.

Passengers holding through ORDERS TO EUROPE have the choice of Overland Rail routes from San Francisco, including the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER AND RIO GRANDE and NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAYS; also the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY on payment of £4 in addition to the regular tariff rate.

Passengers holding orders for OVERLAND CITIES in the United States have, between San Francisco and Chicago, the option of the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER AND RIO GRANDE and other direct connecting Railways, and from Chicago to destination the choice of direct lines.

Particulars of the various routes can be had on application.

Special rates (first class only) are granted to Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Services, to European officials in service of China and Japan, and to Government officials and their families.

Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States, via Overland Railway, to Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, by the Company's and connecting Steamers.

Freight will be received on board until 4 P.M. the day previous to sailing. Parcel Packages will be received at the Office until 5 P.M. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to points beyond San Francisco in the United States should be sent to the Company's Office in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 7, Praya Central.

J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent.

Hongkong, 27th January, 1896. [3

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Company's Steamship

"PYRRHUS,"

Captain Batt, will be despatched as above on WEDNESDAY, the 12th inst.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, 6th February, 1896. [2722

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANÇAIS.

NOTICE.

STEAM FOR SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, COLOMBO, PONDICHERRY, MADRAS, CALCUTTA, DJIBOUTI, EGYPT, MARSEILLES, MEDITERRANEAN, AND BLACK SEA PORTS, LONDON, HAVRE, BORDEAUX, PORTS OF BRAZIL AND LA PLATA.

ON WEDNESDAY, the 19th February, at 10 A.M., the Company's Steamship "CALEDONIEN," Captain L. Blanc, with Mails, Passengers, Specie, and Cargo, will leave this Port for MARSEILLES via Ports of call, without transhipment.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe.

Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon, Cargo will be received on board until 4 P.M., Specie and Parcels until 3 P.M. on the 18th Feb. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office.) Contents and Value of Packages are required.

For further Particulars, apply at the Company's Office.

C. TOURNAIRE, Acting Agent.

Hongkong, 7th February, 1896. [2

FOR NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Steamship

"PORT ADELAIDE"

will be despatched about 21st February.

S.S. "GHAZEE" will be despatched about 4th March.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DODWELL, CARLILL & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 6th February, 1896. [403

RICKMERS LINE.

REGULAR MONTHLY SERVICE FROM BREMEN, MIDDLESBRO', ANTWERP, AND HAMBURG, *VIA* SUEZ CANAL, TO PENANG, SINGAPORE, HONGKONG, SHANGHAI, HYOGO, AND YOKOHAMA.

FROM HOME.

PROPOSED SAILINGS OF THE NEW ELEGANT STEAMERS OF THE RICKMERS RICEMILLING, SHIPOWNING, AND SHIPBUILDING COMPANY OF BREMEN.

(SUBJECT TO ALTERATIONS).

DOROTHEA RICKMERS	3,846	December.
DEIKE RICKMERS	3,700	January.
MARIA RICKMERS	5,500	February.
HELENE RICKMERS	3,233	March.
SOPHIE RICKMERS	3,249	April.
ELLENE RICKMERS	5,500	May.
ELISABETH RICKMERS	5,500	June.

FROM THE EAST.

VIA SINGAPORE TO HAVRE, BREMEN, AND HAMBURG, and other Continental Ports, if sufficient inducement offers.

(Taking Cargo at through rates to ANTWERP, AMSTERDAM, and ROTTERDAM).

PROPOSED SAILINGS. (SUBJECT TO ALTERATIONS).

DOROTHEA RICKMERS	3,846	March.
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THE Steamers are all FIRST-CLASS RISKS and are supplied with all the modern Appliances and powerful Engines.

For Further Particulars, apply to

ARNHOLD, KARBERG & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 8th February, 1896. [137

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

STEAM TO NATAL AND CAPE PORTS BY THE NATAL DIRECT LINE FROM CALCUTTA

(MESSRS. BULLARD, KING & CO.'s LINE.)

THE Undersigned having been appointed GENERAL AGENTS in CHINA and JAPAN for the above Line are prepared to issue THROUGH BILLS of LADING for NATAL, EAST LONDON, PORT ELIZABETH, MOSSEL BAY, CAPE TOWN, DELAGOA BAY, and BEIRA.

Transhipment will be made at CALCUTTA.

Next sailing from CALCUTTA, S.S. "CONGELLA" on the 28th February, to be followed by the S.S. "PONGOLA" 21st March, S.S. "UMZINTO" 15th April, and thereafter every three weeks.

SPECIAL NOTICE.

From FOOCHOW AND HONGKONG Direct to CAPE PORTS.

"PONGOLA" will load middle July.

"CONGELLA" will load end August.

For Freight and further Particulars,

Apply to

DODWELL, CARLILL & CO., General Agents for China and Japan.

Hongkong, 27th January, 1896. [10

NOTICE TO SHIPPERS.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

THE 100 A.1. British Bark

"FORMOSA,"

Captain A. Ohrloff, shortly due here, will load for the above port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to

MELCHERS & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 1st February, 1896. [356

TO LET

TO LET.

RAVENSHILL—EAST and WEST, in ROBINSON ROAD.

EARNSFOOT, in RICHMOND ROAD.

Apply to

VICTOR H. DEACON.

Hongkong, 2nd December, 1895. [358

TO LET.

SMITH VILLAS WEST, Magazine Gap.

Possession 1st April.

Apply to

J. LAMKE.

Hongkong, 4th January, 1896. [99

TO LET.

DWELLING HOUSES—

HOUSES in RIFON TERRACE.

No. 17, LYNDHURST TERRACE.

No. 10, STEWART TERRACE, at the Peak. Semi-detached, Side Windows facing South. Good Tennis Court. Furnished or Unfurnished.

TOP FLOOR of No. 4, BLUE BUILDINGS.

No. 6, VICTORIA VIEW, Kowloon.

Apply to

THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LD.

Hongkong, 8th February, 1896. [41

TO LET.

TWO Six-Roomed Semi-detached Dwelling Houses in ROBINSON ROAD, overlooking the Public Garden, now in course of Construction. Occupation from SEPTEMBER next.

For further Particulars, apply to

DAVID SASSOON, SONS & CO.

Hongkong, 7th February, 1896. [407

TO LET.

"LARKSPUR," UPPER RICHMOND ROAD. Seven Rooms and Tennis Lawn.

Rent $80 monthly, including Taxes.

Apply to

MR. L. SIMON, BANQUE DE L'INDO-CHINE.

Hongkong, 15th January, 1896. [194

TO LET.

THE Corner Premises under the HONGKONG HOTEL, formerly occupied by W. ROBINSON & Co.

Immediate Possession.

Apply to

W. ROBINSON & CO., Connaught House.

Hongkong, 11th November, 1895. [40

TO LET.

LARGE GODOWN on KOWLOON PRAYA, suitable for the Storage of Coal or General Cargo.

Apply to

LINSTEAD & DAVIS.

Hongkong, 2nd December, 1895. [42

TO LET.

LARGE ROOM on SECOND FLOOR of 18, PRAYA CENTRAL. Very Suitable for OFFICE.

Apply,

CARMICHAEL & CO., LIMITED.

Hongkong, 20th December, 1895. [45

TO BE LET.

EASTLEY—A Five-Roomed House, with Conservatory, Turf Tennis Lawn, and usual Servants' Quarters.

BELVOIR LODGE—A Seven-Roomed House, with Garden, Turf Tennis Lawn, and ample Servants' Quarters.

A FOUR-ROOMED HOUSE and SIX-ROOMED HOUSE in Richmond Terrace.

CHAMBERS—At Wild Dell Buildings.

Apply to

HUMPHREYS ESTATE & FINANCE CO., LIMITED.

Hongkong, 1st February, 1896. [112

TO LET at THE PEAK.

POSSESSION APRIL.

DUNFORD.—A Five-Roomed House, with cement Tennis Court attached.

Apply to

C. W. RICHARDS.

Hongkong, 10th January, 1896. [152

TO LET.

(With Immediate Possession).

HOUSE in ELLIOT CRESCENT, ROBINSON ROAD.

Containing 4 Reception Rooms and 5 Bedrooms.

Apply to

CHANTREY INCHBALD.

Hongkong, 24th December, 1895. [46

PRIVATE BOARD AND RESIDENCE.

Mrs. GILLANDERS, GLENEALY BUILDINGS.

Hongkong, 9th January, 1896. [142

BOARD AND RESIDENCE.

COMFORTABLY FURNISHED ROOMS, with Board.

Apply to Mrs. MATHER, 2, Pedder's Hill.

Hongkong, 1st January, 1892.

NORTH FORMOSA.

FOR SALE—A MAP of NORTH FORMOSA, by J. W. PATERSSON, I. M. Customs Service. NEW EDITION. Coloured. Price, $2.00. To be had at *Daily Press* Office and the Booksellers.

Hongkong, 26th June, 1890. [1448

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General Agent at Hongkong FOR FIRE AND ACCIDENT INSURANCES,

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1906]